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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1880-81.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.

JOHN T. FLOOD. SIDNEY FRENCH. ROYAL T. MANN.

Town Clerk and Treasurer.

HIRAM C. ALDEN.

School Committee.

JAMES MOLLOY, Term expires April 1, 1881.
WINSLOW BATTLES, " " " 1, 1882.
GEORGE H. WILKINS, " " " 1, 1883.

Trustees of Stetson School Fund.

DANIEL HOWARD, Term expires April 1, 1881.
THADDEUS T. CUSHMAN, " " " 1, 1882.
EDWARD KANE, " " " 1, 1883.

Auditors.

ROYAL W. TURNER. CHARLES G. HATHAWAY.
JAMES BURKE, JR.

Constables.

THOMAS FARRELL. E. LAWRENCE PAYNE.
FRANK J. DONOHUE. FRANCIS A. STANLEY.
HENRY H. SHEDD. HENRY H. FRANCIS.

Fence Viewers.

RICHARD STEVENS. EPHRAIM MANN. ADAM F. JONES.

Engineers of Fire Department.

JOHN DOOLEY, JR., *Chief Engineer.* CHARLES A. WALES, *Clerk.*
LEVI WILBUR. LOUIS GOERES.

Superintendent of Almshouse.

MARTIN P. PIKE.

Keeper of Lock-Up.

COLIN BOYD.

Representatives to the General Court.

NEWALL S. ATWOOD, JONATHAN WALES,
of Stoughton. of Randolph.

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REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

The Selectmen of the town of Randolph, in accordance with their duty, respectfully submit the annual report of appropriations and expenditures for the financial year ending March 1, 1881.

APPROPRIATIONS

AS VOTED BY THE TOWN, COUNTY, AND STATE TAX.

For schools,	\$8,500 00
Stetson High School,	1,250 00
repairs of highways,	4,000 00
general town expenses,	8,000 00
reduction of town debt,	5,000 00
fire department,	3,350 00
Turner Free Library,	500 00
decoration of soldiers' graves,	100 00
County tax,	1,582 29
State tax,	2,055 00
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Total,	\$34,337 29

TAXABLE VALUATION MAY 1, 1880.

Real estate,	\$1,469,550 00
Personal estate,	609,490 00
Bank stock owned by residents and taxed by the State,	278,511 76
Corporation stock owned by residents and taxed by the State,	166,438 32
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Total valuation,	\$2,523,990 08

Rate of taxation May 1, 1880, \$14 on \$1000.

Average rate in the State May 1, 1880, \$15.35 on \$1000.

Number of polls, May 1, 1880,	1,220
of dwellings, May 1, 1880,	766
of horses, "	339
of cows, "	242
of acres of land taxed May 1, 1880, . .	5,801½

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWN MARCH 1, 1881.

Almshouse property and farm,	\$10,500 00
Town house and land,	18,000 00
Three fire-engine houses, and lock-up, . .	4,200 00
One fire engine, hook and ladder carriage, apparatus and fixtures,	1,725 00
Steam fire engine and apparatus,	5,200 00
One hearse,	200 00
Ten acres of salt marsh,	600 00
School-house and land, District No 1, . .	2,000 00
School-house and land, " 2,	6,000 00
School-house and land, " 3,	1,350 00
School-house and land, " 4,	5,750 00
School-house and land, " 5,	1,200 00
School-house and land, " 6,	1,650 00
Prescott school-house and land,	15,000 00
Eight shares in Randolph National Bank, .	1,440 00
Stetson school fund, par value,	10,600 00
Turner Free Library and land,	40,000 00
Turner Free Library,	5,000 00
Turner Free Library,	5,000 00
Total,	\$135,415 00

EXPENDITURES.

FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid bills by direction of School Committee, for financial year ending March 1, 1881. For items see report of School Committee.

sundry persons for teaching, . . .	\$6,679 20
" " for fuel, . . .	348 35
" " for care of rooms, . . .	467 03
miscellaneous expenses, . . .	1,297 03

Total,	\$8,791 61
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Paid appropriation for Stetson High School,	1,250 00
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Total,	\$10,041 61
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APPROPRIATIONS FOR SCHOOLS.

Town appropriation,	\$8,500 00
Town appropriation for Stetson High School,	1,250 00
State School Fund,	173 43
Coddington Fund,	100 00

Total,	\$10,023 43
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Included in the expenditures for schools, is cash refunded to the Treasurer of the town

for books sold,	\$432 29
Stock of books on hand,	103 44
Uncollected bills,	100 00

Total,	\$635 73
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Expenditures less than appropriation,	617,55
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The Selectmen have drawn orders on the Treasurer, amounting to \$36,506 16.

On account of schools, teaching, fuel, and care

of rooms,	7,494 58
of repairs and incidentals,	1,297 03

On account of Stetson High School, . . .	\$1,250 00
of highways,	4,346 34
of Mill Street widening,	285 00
of removing snow,	288 28
of funeral expenses,	232 50
of State aid,	2,166 25
of State aid (under law of 1879),	1,738 89
of fire department,	3,173 24
of abatement of taxes,	455 70
of town officers,	1,523 62
of miscellaneous expenses,	2,391 11
of poor in almshouse,	2,344 95
of poor out of almshouse,	4,280 58
of poor belonging to Randolph and Holbrook (Military),	1,773 82
of poor of other towns,	1,069 33
of State paupers and tramps,	394 94
Total,	<hr/> \$36,506 16

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Repairs under the direction of Surveyors.

DISTRICT NO. 1, ISAAC N. LINFIELD, *Surveyor*.

Paid Isaac N. Linfield, team-work, 25 days,	\$100 00
John Wales, " 10 "	35 00
Lawrence Jones, " $2\frac{7}{10}$ "	9 45
Bernard O'Flaherty, labor $11\frac{3}{5}$ days,	22 05
Francis W. Blanchard, " $14\frac{1}{2}$ "	25 37
William Broad, " 9 "	15 75
Michael O'Keefe, " $8\frac{1}{2}$ "	14 87
Thomas Duff, " $7\frac{3}{10}$ "	13 52
Walter A. Jones, " 7 "	12 25

James Lyons, for labor,	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ days,	\$13 12
Lewis Jones,	6 "	10 50
John Desmond,	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	7 88
Timothy Sullivan,	5 "	8 75
Thomas Preyor,	3 "	5 25
Joseph Maher,	3 "	5 25
Emory Glover,	1 "	1 75
Matthew Graham,	1 "	1 75
John Wales,	$\frac{1}{4}$ "	50
Ebenezer Alden, for 153 loads of gravel,		15 44
John Wales, " 128 "		10 24
Isaac N. Linfield, repairing tools,		1 20
Total,		\$329 89
Cr. By Loam sold,		4 00
Total,		\$325 89

DISTRICT NO. 3, JAMES RILEY, *Surveyor*.

Paid Josiah Clark, team-work, 21 $\frac{1}{4}$ days, 2 horses,	\$128 00
Royal T. Mann, " 1 " 2 "	5 00
Martin T. Pike, " 1 " 2 "	5 00
James Riley, for labor, 23 $\frac{3}{4}$ days,	45 20
Michael Calaghan, " 19 "	33 39
Patrick Flood, " 18 "	31 52
Thomas Johnston, " 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	25 38
John O'Keefe, " 6 $\frac{1}{5}$ "	10 86
Ansel Mann, " 6 $\frac{1}{10}$ "	10 68
Andrew Tracey, " 5 "	8 75
Erwin Ford, " 5 "	8 76
John Gill, " 4 "	7 00
Patrick Barry, " 3 $\frac{2}{5}$ "	6 30
Andrew Nightingale, " 3 $\frac{4}{5}$ "	6 74
Thomas Duff, " 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	4 38

Jonathan Hunt, for labor, 1 day,		\$1 25
Moses Mann, " 1 "		1 00
Jedediah French, " 1 "		2 00
Thomas Whalin, " 1 "		1 75
Lewis Jones, " 1 "		1 75
George Burrill, " 1 "		1 75
Royal T. Mann, "		75
Joshua Spear Estate, for 123 loads of gravel,		12 30
Jonathan Mann, " 198 " "		19 80
Ansel Mann, " 93 " "		9 30
Josiah Clark, " 93 " "		9 30
George B. Goodrich, for drain pipe,		7 56
Mary Campbell, for repairs,		1 35
Total,		<hr/> \$406 82

DISTRICT NO. 5, MARTIN L. EDDY, *Surveyor*.

Paid Rufus A. Thayer, team-work, $7\frac{1}{3}$ days,		\$25 50'
Martin P. Pike, " 5 "		17 50
Francis Stetson, " 5 "		17 50
George Kennedy, " 1 "		3 50
Martin L. Eddy, for labor, $18\frac{2}{5}$ "		36 82
Sylvanus Thayer, " $17\frac{9}{10}$ "		31 32
Benjamin Nightingale, " $8\frac{1}{2}$ "		14 87
Alva M. Nightingale, " $5\frac{1}{2}$ "		9 62
Roswell Eddy, " $6\frac{7}{10}$ "		11 72
Lewis Jones, " 4 "		7 00
Jedediah French, " $\frac{1}{2}$ "		88
Amasa Clark, for 210 loads of gravel,		16 80
Martin L. Eddy, " 144 " "		11 52
Total,		<hr/> \$204 55

DISTRICT NO. 6, WILLIAM WHITE, *Surveyor*.

Paid Martin P. Pike, team-work, 4 days, 2 horses,		\$20 00
William White. Jr., "	19½ "	58 50
James Carroll, "	2 "	6 00
John Kiley, "	2 "	6 00
Robert McAuliffe, "	1½ "	4 50
James Irwin, "	1½ "	4 50
Adam F. Jones, "	1 "	4 00
William White, for labor, 29	"	47 75
James Sutton, "	12½ "	19 50
James Blythe, "	9½ "	15 00
James Barry, "	7½ "	10 50
William C. Barry, "	5½ "	8 25
Lawrence Ormsby, "	5 "	7 75
Joseph Crosby, "	4½ "	6 75
William Barry, "	4 "	6 00
William Shields, "	3½ "	5 25
Frederick Miller, "	3 "	4 50
James Keenan, "	6 "	9 00
Jedediah French, "	3½ "	7 00
Thomas Whalin, "	4 "	6 99
George Burrill, "	3½ "	6 12
Lewis Jones, "	3½ "	6 12
Edmund White, "	3½ "	5 25
Timothy Shea, "	3 "	4 50
Patrick Welsh, "	2 "	3 50
William White, Jr., "	2½ "	3 75
Davis White, "	2 "	3 00
Patrick Crosby, "	2 "	3 00
Patrick Barry, "	2 "	3 00
Peter Sutton, "	1 "	1 50
Michael Lagan, "	2¾ "	4 50
Owen Nary, "	2 "	3 00

Paid John L. Manning, for 78 loads of gravel,	\$3 90
Frederick Chandler, for 31 " "	1 55
William White, for hedge stones,	3 00
William Campbell, for repairing tools,	60
Total, 	<hr/> \$314 03

DISTRICT NO. 7, THOMAS GOOD, *Surveyor*.

Paid David Good, team-work, $7\frac{3}{4}$ days,	\$27 12
Thomas Good, " $\frac{3}{10}$ "	1 05
" " for labor, $9\frac{1}{20}$ days,	15 84
James G. Hurley, " $7\frac{3}{4}$ "	13 56
Michael O'Keefe, " $7\frac{3}{4}$ "	13 56
James Lyons, " $7\frac{3}{4}$ "	13 56
James Harris, " $7\frac{1}{4}$ "	12 68
Joseph Maher, " $1\frac{1}{5}$ "	2 00
Martin P. Pike, " . . .	3 00
H. F. Libby, " . . .	1 55
Thomas Whalin, " . . .	50
Ebenezer Alden, for 48 loads of gravel,	3 84
Daniel Elliott, " 25 " "	2 00
Total, 	<hr/> \$110 26

DISTRICT NO. 8, THOMAS MORAN, *Surveyor*.

Paid Thomas Moran, team-work, $39\frac{1}{4}$ days,	\$157 00
Albert McAuliffe, " 5 "	17 50
Dennis Kelliher, " $4\frac{7}{10}$ "	16 45
Martin P. Pike, " $\frac{1}{2}$ "	2 75
Dennis Sullivan, for labor, $34\frac{3}{5}$ days,	60 53
Patrick Barry, " $15\frac{7}{10}$ "	27 82
Michael O'Keefe, " 7 "	12 25
Dennis Kelliher, " $6\frac{2}{5}$ "	11 20
Thomas Duff, " $6\frac{1}{2}$ "	10 50

Paid David A'Hern, for labor,	5½ days,	\$9 62
Robert McAuliffe, "	5½ "	9 63
Michael Sheridan, "	6 $\frac{7}{10}$ "	11 72
Thomas Ward, "	5½ "	9 62
Christopher Ward, "	5½ "	9 62
James Blythe, "	4 $\frac{7}{10}$ "	8 52
Michael Lagan, "	4 $\frac{7}{10}$ "	8 52
Burt Farnum, "	4 "	7 00
Frederick Miller, "	4 $\frac{7}{10}$ "	5 60
Edmund Burke, "	3 "	5 25
William Shields, "	2 "	3 50
Jedediah French, "	1 "	2 00
Matthew Graham, "	1 "	1 75
James Googan, "	1 "	1 75
John Desmond, "	1 "	1 75
Thomas Moran, "	1 $\frac{3}{5}$ "	3 40
Martin P. Pike, "		1 50
Daniel Kiley, "		1 00
John Dunphy, "		50
Bradford L. Wales, for 542 loads of gravel,		54 20
Daniel Kiley, " 153 "		15 30
Daniel Kelliher, " 28 "		3 36
Total,		\$491 11

DISTRICT NO. 10, MARTIN P. PIKE, *Surveyor*.

Paid Martin P. Pike, team-work,	20½ days,	\$108 37
Josiah Clark, "	5 "	28 50
Ephraim Mann, "	1 "	4 00
Jedediah French, for labor,	17 $\frac{7}{10}$ days,	35 40
Thomas Whalen, "	20 $\frac{3}{5}$ "	36 05
Lewis Jones, "	18 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	32 37
Walter A. Jones, "	18 $\frac{1}{5}$ "	31 85

Paid John Desmond,	for labor, 18	days,	\$31 50
Thomas Duff,	" 13	"	22 75
Matthew Graham,	" $11\frac{1}{5}$	"	19 60
George B. Dench,	" 10	"	17 50
William Cunningham	" 9	"	15 75
Patrick Feeney,	" 9	"	15 75
Emory Glover,	" $8\frac{1}{2}$	"	14 87
George Lovering,	" $2\frac{7}{10}$	"	4 44
Daniel Kiley,	" 1	"	2 00
Patrick Barry,	" 1	"	1 75
Morrison M. Alden,	for material,		1 50
Daniel Kiley,	for 248 loads of gravel,		24 80
Aaron H. Prescott,	for 247 loads of gravel,		24 67
Total,			<hr/> \$473 42

NORTH STREET REPAIRS, *under direction of* MARTIN P.
PIKE.

Paid Martin P. Pike,	team-work, $44\frac{7}{10}$ days, 2 horses,	\$234 67
Manus Gallagher,	" $4\frac{1}{5}$ "	14 70
Jedediah French,	for labor, $44\frac{7}{10}$ days,	89 40
Daniel Kiley,	" $41\frac{3}{5}$ "	83 20
John Desmond,	" $44\frac{7}{10}$ "	78 22
Matthew Graham,	" $43\frac{1}{5}$ "	75 60
Thomas Duff,	" $42\frac{7}{10}$ "	74 72
Lewis Jones,	" $40\frac{7}{10}$ "	71 22
James Googan,	" $37\frac{1}{5}$ "	65 10
J. H. Glover,	" $38\frac{1}{5}$ "	66 85
Walter A. Jones,	" $42\frac{7}{10}$ "	63 35
John Lynch,	" 26 "	58 95
Thomas Whalin,	" $27\frac{7}{10}$ "	48 47
George B. Dench,	" $26\frac{7}{10}$ "	46 72
W. Stuart,	" $24\frac{7}{10}$ "	43 22
C. Holbrook,	" 10 "	17 50

Paid Arthur W. Austin, for 633 loads of gravel,	\$63 30
Arthur W. Austin, for stone, . . .	5 00
George B. Goodrich, for drain pipe . .	28 29
J. B. Rhines, for lumber,	20 80
George H. Sampson, for powder, &c., .	11 75
Edward A. Perry, for labor and material,	51 53
John M. Harris, surveying,	60 00
James Googan, for labor and material, .	12 00
Thomas Fardy & Son, for posts, . . .	34 11
Daniel Leahy, "	4 07
George B. Dench, for lighting street, .	3 00
Martin P. Pike, for labor,	2 50
George Pierce, "	1 00
John Lynch, "	1 00
Frank Smith, "	1 00
Thomas Fardy & Son, for repairing tools,	13 75
Total,	<hr/> \$1,444 99
Cr. by cash, received for labor,	7 87
Total,	<hr/> \$,1437 12

SOUTH STREET REPAIRS, *under direction of* MARTIN P. PIKE.

Paid Martin P. Pike, team-work, 5 days, 2	
horses,	\$26 25
Martin P. Pike, team-work, 1 day, . .	3 50
J. Whiting, team-work, 1 day, 2 horses,	5 00
Thomas Whalin, for labor, 6 days, . .	10 50
Patrick Feeney, for " 6 " . . .	10 50
John Desmond, for " 6 " . . .	10 50
Le is Jones, for " 6 " . . .	10 50
William Cunningham, for labor, 6 days,	10 50
Jedediah French, for labor, 5 days, .	10 00
Walter A. Jones, for labor, 4 days, .	7 00

Paid Mathew Graham, for labor, 2 days,	\$3 50
Ebenezer Alden, for 259 loads of gravel,	20 72
Total,	<hr/> \$128 47
Cr. by cash for gravel sold,	1 50
Total,	<hr/> \$126 97

SOUTH MAIN ST. REPAIRS, *under direction of* MARTIN P. PIKE.

Paid Martin P. Pike, team-work, 4 days,	
2 horses,	\$19 60
Royal T. Mann, team-work, 3 days, 2	
horses,	15 00
Ephraim Mann, team-work, 3 days, 2	
horses,	15 00
Jedediah French, for labor, $4\frac{1}{10}$ days,	8 20
Lewis Jones, " $4\frac{1}{10}$ "	7 17
William Cunningham, for labor, $4\frac{1}{10}$ days,	7 17
Patrick Feeney, " $4\frac{1}{10}$ "	7 17
Thomas Whalin, " $4\frac{1}{10}$ "	7 17
John Desmond, " $4\frac{1}{10}$ "	7 17
Walter A. Jones, " 4 "	7 00
James Lyons, for labor, 3 days,	5 25
Ebenezer Alden, for 82 loads of gravel,	9 20
Ebenezer Alden, for 29 "	7 36
Total,	<hr/> \$122 46

WEST STREET REPAIRS, *under direction of* MARTIN P. PIKE.

Paid Martin P. Pike, team-work, $5\frac{3}{4}$ days, 2 horses,	\$28 00
Royal T. Mann, " 1 " 2 "	5 00
Jedediah French, for labor, 4 "	8 00
Thomas Whalin, " 3 "	5 25

Paid Matthew Graham, for labor, 3	days,	\$5 25
Thomas Duff,	" 4 "	7 00
Lewis Jones,	" 4 "	7 00
John Desmond,	" 4 "	7 00
Daniel Kiley,	" 1 "	2 00
Thomas Whalin,	" $\frac{1}{2}$ "	87
George B. Dench,	" $\frac{1}{2}$ "	87
Walter A. Jones,	" $\frac{1}{2}$ "	87
Aaron A. Prescott, for 92 loads of gravel,		6 92
Daniel Kiley,	" 26 " "	2 60
Total,	. . . . .	<hr/>\$86 63

BRIDGE, HOWARD STREET, *under direction of* MARTIN P.
PIKE.

Paid Martin P. Pike, team-work, $5\frac{1}{3}$ days, 2 teams,	\$26 45
John Desmond, for labor, 5 "	8 75
Daniel Kiley, " $3\frac{1}{2}$ "	7 65
Thomas Duff, " 5 "	8 31
Thomas Whalin, " 5 "	8 40
Jedediah French, " 1 "	2 00
Christopher Ward, " 1 "	1 75
Walter A. Jones, " 1 "	1 75
Patrick Feeney, " 1 "	1 75
Arthur W. Austin, for 41 loads of gravel,	4 10
Adam Jones, for stone,	50
Total,	<hr/> \$71 41

ALDEN STREET REPAIRS, *under direction of* MARTIN P.
PIKE,

Paid Martin P. Pike, team-work, $2\frac{5}{10}$ days, 2 horses,	\$11 00
Jedediah French, for labor, 2 "	4 00
Thomas Duff, " $2\frac{1}{2}$ "	4 37

Paid John Desmond,	for labor, $2\frac{1}{2}$ days,	\$4 37
Lewis Jones,	" $2\frac{1}{2}$ "	4 37
Matthew Graham,	" 2 "	3 50
Thomas Whalin,	" 2 "	3 50
Ebenezer Alden,	for 52 loads of gravel,	4 16
Total,		<hr/> \$39 27

STONE PICKING *under direction of* MARTIN P. PIKE.

Paid Martin P. Pike and others,	\$136 40
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MILL STREET WIDENING.

Paid James G. Hurley,	Land damage,	\$60 00
Thomas Good,	"	50 00
Catharine Brady,	"	50 00
Isabelle G. Driscoll,	Adm'x,	40 00
James Burke,	"	30 00
William Gibbons,	"	14 00
Daniel Leahy,	"	11 00
James Harris,	"	10 00
Dennis McCarty,	"	10 00
Dennis Fox,	"	10 00
Total,		<hr/> \$285 00

REMOVING SNOW.

Paid Isaac N. Linfield and others,	.	.	\$78 48
Thomas Moran	"	.	40 02
William White	"	.	40 86
James Riley	"	.	37 18
Martin P. Pike	"	.	53 76
Thomas Good	"	.	22 30
Martin L. Eddy	"	.	15 68
Total,	.	.	<hr/> \$288 28

FUNERAL EXPENSES.

Paid Ralph Houghton, undertaker, attending 73 funerals,	\$232 00
Total,	<u>\$232 00</u>

STATE AID.

Paid sundry persons (as per account State),	\$2,166 25
Total,	<u>\$2,166 25</u>

STATE AID UNDER LAW OF 1879.

Paid sundry persons (as per account State),	\$1,738 89
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FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid sundry bills (see for items, Engineer's Report),	\$3,173 24
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ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Paid Edson M. Roel, for year 1879, . . .	\$455 70
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TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Auditors for year ending March 1, 1880,	\$10 00
Engineers of Fire Department to May 1, 1880,	48 00
Edson M. Roel, Collector of Taxes, 1879,	285 62
James A. Tower, School Committee, in- cluding use of carriage, 1880, . . .	50 00
Winslow Battles, School Committee, 1880-81,	105 00
James Molloy, " "	100 00
George H. Wilkins, " "	100 00
John T. Flood, services as Selectman, As- sessor and Overseer of the Poor, .	275 00
Sidney French, services as Selectman, As- sessor and Overseer of the Poor, .	275 00

Paid Royal T. Mann, services as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor, .	\$275 00
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	\$1,523 62

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Daniel H. Huxford, printing 1350 town reports,	\$237 25
Dan'l H. Huxford, pri't'g warrants, notices, &c.,	82 50
Henry H. Francis, for labor and material, addition to Hall,	195 21
Night Police, 1879-80,	172 29
Special Police, July 3d and 4th, . .	73 00
Frank P. Stevens, services as detective, .	50 00
J. White Belcher, for insurance, . .	93 50
Seth Mann, 2d, for insurance, . .	93 00
Turner Free Library, as per vote, . .	500 00
Grand Amry Post 110, as per vote, .	100 00
Brooks Adams, professional services in Rooney case,	95 50
William F. Rooney, for damage to carriage,	125 00
Witnesses in Deane case,	69 50
John Dooley, Jr., damage to horse, car- riage and harness,	25 00
Wales B. Thayer, damage to sleigh, .	13 00
Thomas Farrell, services as constable, .	29 20
Henry H. Francis, " " .	27 50
Colin Boyd, care of Selectmen's Office, .	25 10
Hiram C. Alden, copying valuation-book,	20 00
Cornelius McMahon, damage to property,	20 00
Jonahan Wales, professional services, .	25 00
James N. Bullock, care of J. A. Tower's horse, 1878-79,	30 00
James N. Bullock, for horse-hire, . .	26 00

Paid Wm. B. Hathaway, enter'm't of Town Officers,	\$22 95
Nathan'l Noyes, labor and material repairing safe,	18 90
A. J. Gove, labor, filling reservoirs,	20 00
H. H. Estabrook, for repairs on "Fire King" engine,	15 00
Peter A. Wales & Son, for pump and repairs,	31 50
Frank J. Donahoe, services as constable,	5 00
Daniel Howard, for sundry bills,	7 88
Colin Boyd, for care of Hall Town Meetings,	7 50
Colin Boyd, for preparing wood,	6 25
Ward & Gay, for stationery and book,	8 85
Frank Porter, for stationery,	3 60
Doane & Greenough, stationery,	2 50
Joseph Graham, for labor and material,	12 73
Edwin M. Mann, for wood,	11 00
Daniel Leahy, " " "	3 00
Mary Campbell, for varnishing hearse,	15 00
T. T. Cushman, services for Board of Health,	11 00
Charles E. Higgins, for ventilators,	4 50
John G. Poole, for postage,	6 96
Thos. Fardy & Son, for repairs on snow plough,	5 00
D. B. White & Co., for supplies,	7 12
Martin P. Pike, distributing town reports, 1880,	5 00
A. L. Chase, for examination of Geo. Beaumeister at Quincy,	3 80
Warren M. Babbitt, for examination of Geo. Beaumeister at Quincy,	3 80
Thomas Ward, for labor,	3 00
William Cole, " " "	3 00
Thomas Groom, for tax-books,	2 25
G. L. Bates, repairing safe,	2 15
John T. Flood, sundry bills for keys, repairs, &c.,	2 00

Ephriam F. Belcher, for repairs, . . .	\$2 02
Robert S. Jones, for binding, . . .	2 50
John B. Regan, repairing well, . . .	6 00
A. J. Gove, expressage, . . .	1 80
Total, . . .	<hr/> \$2,391 11

REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

In the amount expended for the purpose of relieving the poor within the limits of our town, for the year ending March 1, 1881, there is very little perceptable variation from the average expense incurred for that object in the years past, or at least since 1875. True, some have been removed by death, a few are self-supporting, and others have availed themselves of the law of 1879, an act for the relief of poor and indigent soldiers.

Mr. Martin P. Pike and his wife still continue as Superintendent and Matron of our Almshouse. There is a general air of method and order about the whole institution; a comfortable home is provided for the worthy and respected, but unfortunate poor, both old and young. The children are obliged to attend our public schools regularly. Mr. and Mrs. Pike are untiring in their efforts to secure for the youth under their control all benefits requisite to lead them on to lives of respectability and usefulness. During the year an inspector from the State Board of Health, Lunacy and Charity, visited our Almshouse on his tour of inspection and classed the institution and its management among the best in the State, paying a very deserved compliment to the Superintendent and Matron for the order, neatness and very healthful appearance that prevailed in and about the place. Mr. Pike during the past year, by a vote of the town, has had charge of the picking of the stones on the highways, and the removal of snow in the various districts; and in addition to his other labors has completed the widening of

North Street from the junction of Union and South Main Streets to the brook, near the residence of James Barry, 2d, in a workmanlike manner, and to the satisfaction of the citizens. The amount he has earned with the town teams, and paid into the town Treasury, from April 1, 1880, to March 1, 1881, is six hundred and twenty-three dollars and ninety-nine cents. The number supported at the Almshouse during the year ending March 1, 1881, in whole or in part, was twenty-four; the average number eighteen; a decrease of three for a full year.

Names of persons supported in the Almshouse for the year ending March 1, 1881:

Polly Copeland.	Peter Reardon.
Ellen Kennedy.	Catharine Condon.
Lewis Linfield.	Elias Cole.
Frances McMath.	Michael Clark.
Ellen Buckley.	Angeline Buckley.
Mary Ellen Buckley.	Maggie McLaughlin.
Teresa Long.	Frances McLaughlin.
Margaret Quinlan.	Katie Quinlan.
Mary O'Brien.*	James O'Brien.
James Harris.	Jonathan Hunt.
George Weaver.*	Samuel Turner.†
Horace Holbrook.*	Jennie Sylvester.

SUPPLIES AND EXPENSES FOR THE ALMSHOUSE AND TOWN FARM.

Paid Martin P. Pike, Superintendent, one year,	\$600 00
Charles Prescott, for supplies, . . .	429 38
J. White Belcher, for grain and meal, . .	253 58
R. W. Turner & Co., for coal, . . .	160 60

* Discharged.

† Refunded.

Paid Estate of William Campbell, for labor and material,	\$147 18
Josiah Clark, for meat,	136 10
I. D. Page, for supplies,	91 69
George Fowkes, for harness and repairs,	55 85
Sidney French, for boots and shoes,	48 69
A. Rosenfeld, for mdse.,	46 27
N. E. Buck, for tea,	25 49
Clark Fairbanks, for clothing,	22 92
Hill & Daniel, for crackers,	20 56
John Carey, for fish,	17 88
Heirs of William Cole, for pasture,	16 00
A. B. Gilman, for labor,	15 00
Mr. C. Holbrook and others, for nursing,	13 00
A. J. Gove, expressage,	18 00
J. B. Rhines, for lumber,	15 22
John B. Thayer, for labor and material,	13 75
Joseph Breck & Son, for dressing,	12 25
Orin & Douglass, for mdse.,	12 54
N. H. Tirrell, for repairs,	12 00
P. H. Shendan (auction), for molasses,	10 25
E. A. Allen, medical attendance,	10 00
Morss & Whyte, for screen,	9 00
Walter Cartwright, for repairs,	8 00
C. A. Wales, for labor and material,	7 00
for removal of O'Brien boy,	5 00
Burditt & Williams, for mdse.,	7 50
Peter A. Wales & Son, for labor and mate'l,	7 75
Gilbert & Dodge, for iron-work,	6 72
Mr. Bryden, for supplies,	5 61
C. A. Wales, for apples,	5 00
Frank Porter, for medicine,	5 40
T. Fardy & Son, for repairs,	5 00

Paid D. Crolin, for horse-collar, . . .	\$5 00
for oil and cotton-seed meal, . . .	4 80
Ames Plough Co., for sled shoes, . . .	4 63
Jordan & Marsh, for mdse., . . .	3 50
D. B. White & Co., for supplies, . . .	3 19
Ephraim Mann, for labor, . . .	3 50
George H. Sampson, for mdse., . . .	2 85
Messrs. Hasting & Co., for doors, . . .	2 08
H. H. Libby, for labor, . . .	2 00
Wm. F. Brown, for labor, . . .	2 00
S. W. Willard, for tripe, . . .	1 75
Seth Mann, 2d, for iron pipe, . . .	1 75
Meses' C. Beal, for plank, . . .	1 50
C. Copeland, for supplies, . . .	1 08
Thomas Whalin, for labor, . . .	1 00
A. Thayer, for material, . . .	80
H. H. Francis, for material, . . .	58
Sundry bills, . . .	26 76
Total, . . .	<u>\$2,344 95</u>

Cr. by cash paid Treasurer, for labor, \$623 99	
" " for pro-	
duce, milk, &c., sold, .	26 85
by cash amount, included in bill,	
paid by town of Holbrook, .	377 48
by bills due, . . .	2 29

\$1,030 61

Net cost, . . . \$1,314 34

RELIEF OF POOR OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

ANN THAYER.

Paid Esther M. Thayer, for board, . . .	\$100 00
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EDWIN AND MARY CHESSMAN.

Amasa S. Niles, for board, . . .	247 00
R. W. Turner & Co., for coal, . . .	15 00
for Levi L. Holbrook, at State Lunatic Hospital,	188 91
for James F. Forrest, at State Lunatic Hospital,	207 30
*for Mrs. Edward Welch, at State Lunatic Hospital,	72 16
for John Harris at State Reform School, .	52 00
*for Thomas Fencer, at " .	33 00
for Patrick Fencer at State Work House,	33 35
for Mrs. Hugh McMahon and family, .	203 80
for Mrs. John C. Kelliher and family, .	191 45
for Mrs. Philip Kenney " .	172 04
for Mrs. Jonathan Hunt " .	184 03
for Mrs. William Grady " .	164 05
for Mrs. James Riley " .	115 70
for Mrs. John Fencer and family at Brockton,	53 25
for Mrs. Thomas Donahoe and family, .	112 86
for Mrs. E. S. Pulson " .	78 00
for Mrs. Gerald Ganity " .	80 75
for Mrs. Patrick McKay " .	49 50
for Mrs. Luke Riley " .	82 14
for Mrs. Shepard Wood " .	83 26
for Mrs. Bernard Purcell and child, .	89 56
for Mrs. Bernard Gill,	54 00

* Discharged.

Paid for Mrs. Almira Giles at Braintree, .	\$92 08
for Mrs. Lucinda Holbrook (Jason, Jr., N.H.),	50 00
for Mrs. Hiram Wilson,	113 95
for Mrs. Margaret Deneil at Weymouth, .	21 00
for Mrs. Ellen McMath at Cambridge, .	1 42
†for Ozias D. Daniels,	177 00
†for Richmond Jones and family, . . .	159 60
for Asa Morton,	89 50
for Hiram Holbrook and family, . . .	104 00
for Michael McGraine "	57 03
for J. Wales Sylvester and family, part at Stoughton and Boston,	88 60
for B. W. Sylvester and family, . . .	12 00
for Hiram Wilson,	17 38
for George F. Eddy and family, . . .	160 63
for L. B. Holbrook and wife at Quincy, .	78 52
for Alexander Holbrook and family, .	42 00
for James Butler,	34 50
for Paul T. Clark,	48 00
for James Upham at Stoughton, . . .	42 40
for Thomas Smith at Holbrook, . . .	25 00
for Luther F. Thayer at Boston, . . .	30 00
for Luke O'Riley and wife,	28 00
for George H. Abbott,	17 10
for David McKay,	11 75
for James D. Fox at Weymouth, . . .	10 00
for Bartholomew Bunberry, part at Worcester,	9 00
for Mrs. John Hollis,	15 00
for George W. Cook,	8 00
for sundry bills for aid,	32 29

† Deceased.

Paid for sundry bills for aid refunded, . . .	\$41 82
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	\$4,280 58

RELIEF OF POOR WHOSE SETTLEMENT IS IN
RANDOLPH AND HOLBROOK, THROUGH
MILITARY SERVICES.

Paid for Lewis N. Weathee, at State Lunatic Hospital,	\$190 23
for Winfield Scott Weathee, at State Workhouse,	25 00
for John O'Brien, at State Reform School,	12 00
for James O'Brien, at State Reform School,	10 00
for Mrs. William H. Simpson and family,	260 20
for Mrs. Christiania Sloan and family,	169 68
for Mrs. Rose Murphy and family,	95 75
for Mrs. Thomas F. Hand and family,	106 85
for Mrs. John Mann and family,	102 70
for Mrs. Lysander C. Morse at Brockton,	34 28
for Mrs. C. V. Sloan at Brockton,	10 20
for Mrs. O'Gorman at Boston,	44 91
for Mrs. Mary Mullin at Boston,	52 00
for Mrs. Jeremiah C. Buckley at Weymouth,	81 07
for Albert W. Stetson and family,	185 90
for Mrs. Walter A. Jones and family,	75 00
for John Crosby and family,	103 50
for Albert Howard and family,	63 47
for L. F. Leavitt at Quincy,	88 08
for Mrs. Francis Boyle and family,	55 50
for William Tilson,	7 50
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Total,	\$1,773 82

One third paid by Holbrook. Additional expenses in the Almshouse paid by Holbrook.

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS.

Paid for Frederic Fowler, Jr., and family,	
Easton,	\$153 88
for John F. Clark and family, Stoughton,	217 34
for James O'Sullivan and family, Stoughton,	23 90
for Bridget Hoyer, Taunton,	69 50
for Lucius Hollis and family, Holbrook,	141 71
for I. N. Pendergrass and family, Holbrook,	6 50
for Lysander Miller and family, Holbrook,	2 25
for Stephen Farnum and family, Methuen,	81 25
for Elizabeth Farnum and family, Methuen,	78 15
for Edmund Burke and family, Foxboro,	29 05
for Mrs. Alphenia Carey, Lowell,	90 00
for Mrs. Susan Meaney, Boston,	54 00
for Mills Moore, Boston,	41 15
for Isaac J. Tully, Boston,	28 25
for Alva M. Nightingale, Duxbury,	16 50
for Mrs. Robert E. Weaver and family,	
Medway,	19 15
for George C. Currie, Canton,	8 00
for James Lewis, Newburyport,	8 00
for Samuel Turner, Foxboro,	75
Total,	<hr/> \$1,069 33

STATE PAUPERS.

Paid Colin Boyd, for lodging 197 tramps in lock-	
up,	\$140 00

Paid Colin Boyd, for bedding and repairs material,	\$10 00
D. B. White, for supplies,	12 36
R. W. Turner & Co., for coal, . . .	6 50
John McLean, for John Hanley, . .	1 50
C. C. Farnham, for medical aid, . .	2 00
Henry M. White, for Joseph Talbot, .	1 00
Total,	<u>\$173 36</u>
Paid for Francis Blanchard and wife, . .	221 58
Total,	<u>\$394 94</u>

Included in the expenses of poor in the Almshouse, poor out of the Almshouse, poor whose settlement is in Randolph and Holbrook, poor of other towns and state paupers, are the following sums of money paid to the physicians for medical aid rendered for one year, ending April 4, 1881 :—

Dr. Charles C. Farnham,	\$75 00
Dr. Thaddeus T. Cushman,	75 00
Dr. Emory A. Allen,	75 00
Dr. Warren M. Babbitt,	75 00
Dr. Augustus L. Chase,	75 00
Dr. Frank C. Granger,	75 00
Total,	<u>\$450 00</u>

The undersigned, auditors of accounts, elected at the annual town meeting in April, 1880, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the selectmen, and find them correct, with proper vouchers for all orders drawn upon the treasurer.

ROYAL W. TURNER,
JAMES BURKE, JR.,
CHARLES G. HATHAWAY,

Auditors of the Town of Randolph, 1881.

RANDOLPH, March 18, 1881.

ALMSHOUSE ESTABLISHMENT.

APPRAISAL OF STOCK, FURNITURE, PROVISIONS, &c.,
MARCH 1, 1881.

2 horses,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$400 00
2 cows,	.	.	.	.	.	.	80 00
5 hens,	.	.	.	.	.	.	3 75
4 tons of hay, English,	.	.	.	.	.	.	100 00
1 ton of fresh hay,	.	.	.	.	.	.	10 00
1 farm wagon,	.	.	.	.	.	.	65 00
2 horse carts,	.	.	.	.	.	.	150 00
1 swing drag,	.	.	.	.	.	.	50 00
1 pair wheels, with pole,	.	.	.	.	.	.	50 00
1 mowing-machine,	.	.	.	.	.	.	60 00
1 carriage,	.	.	.	.	.	.	100 00
1 stump and rock extractor and hook,	.	.	.	.	.	.	30 00
4 harnesses,	.	.	.	.	.	.	50 00
1 new double harness,	.	.	.	.	.	.	50 00
4 draft-chains,	.	.	.	.	.	.	10 00
1 sled,	.	.	.	.	.	.	3 00
1 new 2-horse sled, with shafts and pole,	.	.	.	.	.	.	50 00
1 grindstone,	.	.	.	.	.	.	10 00
1 wheelbarrow,	.	.	.	.	.	.	3 00
3 scythes and snaths,	.	.	.	.	.	.	4 00
3 rakes,	.	.	.	.	.	.	1 75
7 hay and manure forks,	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
7 shovels, 1 spade,	.	.	.	.	.	.	6 00
3 ploughs,	.	.	.	.	.	.	25 00
1 cultivator,	.	.	.	.	.	.	7 00
1 iron bar, 1 pick,	.	.	.	.	.	.	2 50
2 axes, 2 hatchets, 1 bill-hook,	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
4 hoes,	.	.	.	.	.	.	1 25
1 saw-horse,	.	.	.	.	.	.	75
1 snow-shovel,	.	.	.	.	.	.	50.

1 churn,	\$2 00
1 boiler,	2 00
45 bushels of potatoes,	40 00
10 bars of soap,	1 00
1 gallon of molasses,	50
12 pounds of sugar	1 50
$\frac{1}{2}$ barrel of flour,	5 00
5 pounds of chocolate,	2 00
18 iron bedsteads,	100 00
28 colored blankets,	20 00
25 white blankets,	20 00
5 colored bed spreads,	4 00
5 comforters,	7 00
7 feather beds,	56 00
19 underbeds,	25 00
57 sheets,	24 00
10 double sheets,	5 00
36 pillow cases,	15 00
16 feather pillows,	9 00
20 towels,	2 50
table cloths,	5 00
6 wooden trunks,	3 00
3 dining-tables,	12 00
5 light-stands,	3 00
60 chairs,	30 00
Ash-barrel, sifter, hod and shovel,	4 00
Cooking-stove and furniture,	25 00
6 flat-irons,	2 25
1 hammer,	75
1 wood-saw,	1 25
1 clothes-wringer,	5 00
1 steelyards,	1 50
3 hammers and 33 drills,	45 00

Crockery ware,	\$40 00
Wooden ware,	20 00
Tin ware,	12 00
1 clock,	4 00
1 cord wood,	6 00
1 road-scraper,	30 00
2½ tons of coal,	20 00
325 pounds of pork,	36 00
1 washing-machine,	8 00
95 pounds of lard,	10 00
9 lamps,	4 50
10 flour barrels,	1 00
8 yards of calico,	80
3 yards of crash,	24
150 pounds of ham,	15 00
Grain,	8 00
Total,	<u>\$2,028 29</u>

ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR 1880-81.

The following estimate of expenses for the ensuing year is presented for the consideration of the town : —

For schools (see report of School Committee),	
repairs, furniture and incidental expenses,	\$8,700 00
highways,	4,000 00
general town expenses,	10,000 00
reduction of town debt,	5,000 00
fire department (see report of Engineers),	2,300 00
Total,	<u>\$30,000 00</u>

Respectfully submitted, JOHN T. FLOOD,
SIDNEY FRENCH,
ROYAL T. MANN,

Selectmen of Randolph.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF RANDOLPH.

1880-81.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

In accordance with the requirements of law and of custom the School Committee hereby present to their fellow citizens of the town their Annual Report.

The number of public schools maintained during the year covered by this Report, and subject to the supervision of the Committee, is the same as it has been for several years past, requiring the same number of teachers, to wit, two male and fifteen female teachers. Among these three have left the service during the year: Mrs. Annie M. Belcher, Miss Isabel C. Beal and Miss Annie Veazie. The first two from choice for other duties; the last mentioned from reduced strength and ill health, induced by the severity of her school work, most successfully performed for a series of years. The complement of teachers was supplied by the election of Miss Minnie W. Corliss, Miss Kittie R. Molloy and Miss Sara E. Belcher.

The schools have been in session thirty-eight weeks, excepting the few single holidays that occurred in term time, and have been conducted, to the extent possible, in the light of improved methods and plans, which have borne the tests of trial. Generally speaking, the schools are in good condition, and are worth to the town their money cost. In them honest, faithful work is done by teachers and pupils, with varying results, as is usually the case in all departments of human efforts. The teachers have shown intelligent discrimination in the adoption of plans and methods in carrying on their work, and dispositions to reach out for all the aids possible in labors to bring their schools up to the highest points of excellence.

At the fall meeting, 1878, of the "Association of School Committees and Superintendents of Norfolk County," a Committee was chosen for the purpose of examining the children of the County who had been in school four and eight years, respectively. The examination was made in the following spring, under the direction of Mr. George A. Walton, Agent of the State Board of Education, by invitation of the above-named Committee, whose report thereon was made to the State Board by request, and published in the forty-third report of the Board, issued since the School Committee's last report was presented. While your Committee do not recognize this examination as a complete and wholly reliable test of the condition of the schools of the County, of the quality of work done in them by teachers and pupils, as no one hurried examination, as this must have been, could be, nevertheless, "it was as fair for one as for another," they refer to it for the purpose of giving to the citizens of the town the result of the examination, such as it was, in fixing the position of this town when compared with the other towns of the County in regard to the proficiency of schools.

There are twenty-four towns in the County. Of these nine achieved a higher percentage in the examination than Randolph did, one stood at the same, leaving thirteen at a lower percentage. In this latter number are to be found *all the towns bordering* upon this town that are in Norfolk County. Though a mortification that the schools of Randolph are not found in the foremost rank of excellence, by this test even,—and it is not well to rest contented with anything short of the best,—it is, at the same time, extremely gratifying that they hold so honorable a place in comparison with the schools of surrounding towns, which have been

subject to about the same outward influences and expenditure of money.

During the year just ended monthly meetings of teachers and Committee have been held, when methods of instruction, modes of presenting subjects to the youthful mind so as to rivet the attention and awaken interest, general management and discipline of schools were discussed in a spirit of earnestness shown only by those interested in their work. The Committee feel that good has come of these meetings, and they anticipate much benefit to the schools from their continuance in the future.

At the time when so much is spoken and written upon the subjects of schools, their short-comings and their merits, methods of teaching and general management, there has come, as might be expected, an awakening of public interest in them which demands of the teaching fraternity more intelligent work and more unerring leadership in guiding the young into and along the paths of "useful learning," by processes of training and development that shall produce the best results to the individual and the community in a useful culture, so far as it can be carried on in the common schools.

Efforts, in response to the demands of the changed condition of things in management and instruction, have not been wanting in the schools during the year just closed. Still, despite all efforts, there are some schools not yet equal to the best ones. Barring whatever natural causes there may be for this, it is believed by the Committee that this difference can measurably be removed. In the first place it is not all due to the teacher. All that makes a good school is not to be looked for in the teacher or in the Committee. Children cannot be taught when not in school; or, if there, when in an unteachable condition. These considerations lead the Committee to urge upon the parents and guardians

of children of schoolable age, first, that their children shall be more punctual and regular in their attendance. Tardiness and absence are hurtfully prevalent in nearly all the schools. In some, to such an extent as to well nigh paralyze all attempts to carry classes along in any systematic course of study and improvement. This evil to the school, as such, and great injury to individual children, loudly calls for abatement, and, if to be overcome, it must be by an appeal to the good sense of the parents, stimulated to right action by the concern they should feel in the children's welfare; not forgetting that in the quick flight of time these children will soon be men and women. The opportunity for youthful training in education once lost by advancing time is seldom regained, and those from whom are withheld the privileges of common school education are, in after life, often doomed by illiteracy to circumstances less felicitous and elevating than would have surrounded them had they not been denied the means for culture when young. Children are not capable to select for themselves what is best. The thoughtful parent will select and determine for his children; and can he do better than to give them the full, unbroken course of instruction the schools afford?

Secondly. The Committee have to remark that the *relation* between the parent and teacher is not always what it should be — that of mutual interest. In certain instances there is apparent a spirit of antagonism between the two, which never exists without injury to those whom each should be emulous to serve and help. Teacher and parent have, or should have, a common object — the development of the child, intellectually and morally. In the accomplishment of this noble purpose, there should be *unity* between the *home* and the *school*. There must be, if the school is to be useful in the proper degree. The right-minded teacher solicits communi-

cation with the parent in all reasonable manner concerning the children at school, and is never disinclined to receive suggestions based on knowledge of the children's characters. Both parents and teachers have feelings and rights that are to be carefully observed in all intercourse in connection with the schools, and whenever this fact is disregarded, and a spirit of opposition or antagonism is allowed to grow up at home, sooner or later trouble is sure to come between the teacher and the children at school. In this connection the Committee feel warranted in inviting the parents and all friends of the children to a more intimate knowledge of the schools through more frequent visitations. Go and see what is being done and how it is being done; observation is a great enlightener, and a slight explanation sometimes will serve to avoid very unpleasant complications. The Committee confidently trust, that, in these two particulars — the matters of *absence and tardiness*, and the *relation* between parents and teachers — the next year will show an improvement.

With continued liberality of appropriations for their support, intelligence and care in supervision by the Committee, well directed and faithful work by teachers and interested co-operation by parents, the schools will contribute incalculable benefit to the town, and confer blessings upon many to whom a good common school education will prove their richest inheritance.

In regard to appropriations for the ensuing year, the Committee have to say: That for repairs they are obliged to ask for an increased appropriation, in order to do what a wise economy would dictate. The roof of the house at the west corners, No. 3, needs to be shingled for the preservation of the rest of the building, at an estimated cost of one hundred dollars. Both the Prescott Grammar and Prescott Primary

(old house) buildings need new fences around them, the present fences being too far gone to be of any value in enclosing the lots, or of much value in refencing. Estimated cost of this work, with cedar posts, two hundred and fifty dollars, with stone posts, one hundred and ten dollars more. Other than these the Committee are not aware of any but the ordinary small repairs.

While the sums by appropriation and otherwise applicable to support of schools, have not been expended this year, as shown by the financial statement herewith, the Committee will ask for an appropriation of eight thousand seven hundred dollars, as follows : —

For teaching,	\$7,000 00
“ fuel,	350 00
“ care of rooms,	450 00
“ repairs,	500 00
“ incidentals,	400 00
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	\$8,700 00

TRUANT OFFICERS' REPORT.

To the School Committee of Randolph :

Gentlemen, — In accordance with the by-laws of the town under which we hold our offices by your appointment, we beg to report that we have visited the various schools from time to time to ascertain who, among the children of school age, were not enrolled as members, and, if unrolled, to know if they were regular in attendance.

By reports and statements of the teachers and our own observations, we found that most of those who should be are registered. Still, while we are able to report an improvement as regards wilful absence, and enforced absence through the action or carelessness of parents, we recognize the neces-

sity of greater fidelity and care on the part of parents in securing the more regular attendance of their children at school. We have not any cases of truancy to report where we have felt it necessary to proceed to the extremity of the law.

GALEN HOLLIS,
THOMAS FARRELL,
Truant Officers.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WINSLOW BATTLES,
JAMES MOLLOY,
GEO. H. WILKINS,
School Committee.

EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOLS — 1880-81.

FOR TEACHING.

Paid Thomas W. West, 1 year, . . .	\$1,000 00
Arthur C. Wadsworth, 1 year, . . .	865 69
Sarah E. Shankland, 38 weeks, . . .	450 00
Alice A. Smith, 38 weeks, . . .	375 00
Isabelle G. Driscoll, 38 weeks, . . .	356 58
Kittie E. Sherridan, 38 weeks, . . .	349 65
Mary A. Molloy, 38 weeks, . . .	334 13
Sarah N. Wilde, 38 weeks, . . .	325 00
Emma D. Stetson, 38 weeks, . . .	314 00
Mary E. Wren, 38 weeks, . . .	304 00
Ellen P. Henry, 38 weeks, . . .	317 81
Emma H. King, 38 weeks, . . .	285 00
Minnie M. Babbitt, 38 weeks, . . .	277 50
Mary D. Dooley, 38 weeks, . . .	228 00
Minnie W. Corliss, 25 weeks, . . .	200 00

Paid Kittie R. Molloy, 25 weeks, . . .	\$187 50
Isabel C. Beal, 24 weeks, . . .	187 50
Annie Veazie, 12 weeks, . . .	123 16
Annie M. Belcher, 12 weeks, . . .	111 18
Sarah Belcher, 13 weeks, . . .	97 50
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Total,	\$6,679 20

FUEL.

Paid R. W. Turner & Co., for coal, . . .	\$301 00
Edwin M. Mann, for wood, . . .	13 50
John Wales, for wood, . . .	15 50
Sundry person, for shavings and prepar- ing wood,	18 35
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Total,	\$348 35

CARE OF ROOMS.

Paid Margaret Riley,	\$236 92
Galen Hollis,	80 00
Sarah V. Wilde,	47 00
Henry Piper,	35 00
George W. Bump,	22 50
John T. Wales,	20 00
Mary Shields,	10 75
Mary Feeney,	8 33
Mrs. James Riley,	5 00
Mrs. Gerald Garrity,	1 53
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Total,	\$467 03

FOR FURNITURE AND REPAIRS OF SCHOOL-HOUSES AND
INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Paid Henry H. Francis, for labor and material, . . .	\$170 64
William Ware & Co., for books, . . .	160 02

Paid Lee & Shepard, for books,	\$95 35
Knight, Adams & Co., for books, . . .	89 55
Boston School Supply Co., for books, . .	74 07
C. A. Wales, for labor and material, . .	76 30
Robert S. Davis & Co., for books, . . .	68 54
Blacker & Shepard, for mdse.,	48 88
Thomas H. West, for labor on books, . .	50 00
Francis A. Stanley, for labor and material,	43 71
L. Prang & Co., for books,	35 97
James E. Nash, for clocks,	39 50
David H. Huxford, for print'ng notices, &c.,	31 75
Thos. Farwell, for services as truant officer,	25 00
Galen Hollis, "	15 00
John B. Thayer, for labor and material, .	22 75
Francis A. Stanley, for taking census of school children,	20 00
Isaac N. Linfield, for labor and material,	18 79
Adam F. Jones, for posts,	19 00
Winslow Alden, for labor and material, .	23 45
Claffin & Brown, for mdse.,	19 74
A. J. Gove, for expressage,	15 85
D. B. White & Co., for supplies,	15 85
Colin Boyd, for care of office,	12 00
H. Hybennett, for labor and material, .	12 27
Nathaniel Noyes, for labor and material,	17 43
Lawrence Hayes, for use of well 3 years,	9 00
Maynard & Noyes, for mdse.,	9 00
Carter, Dinsmore & Co., for mdse., . .	6 00
Patrick Feeney, for use of well,	6 00
Morrison M. Alden, for use of well 2 years,	6 00
Charles Higgins, for labor and material,	6 47
Winslow Battles, for horse and carriage hire,	5 40
Samuel F. Nichols, for mdse.,	5 40

Paid Ginn & Heath, for mdse., . . .	\$4 80
Galen Hollis, for labor, . . .	3 00
Bogman & Vinal, for mdse., . . .	2 70
W. H. Faxon, for tuning piano, . . .	2 50
Charles Prescott, for supplies, . . .	2 50
George N. Lincoln, for glass, . . .	2 00
Colin Boyd, for keys, . . .	1 35
Henry Piper, for labor, . . .	50
John Wales, for use of well, . . .	3 00
Total, . . .	<hr/> \$1,297 03

Included in the above is cash refunded to the

Town Treasurer, for books sold, . . .	432 29
Stock of books on hand, . . .	103 43
Uncollected bills, . . .	100 00
Total, . . .	<hr/> \$635 73

Expenditures less than appropriations, \$617 55

TOTAL EXPENSES OF SCHOOLS.

Paid for teaching, . . .	\$6,679 20
for fuel, . . .	348 35
for care of school-rooms, . . .	467 03
for miscellaneous expenses, . . .	1,297 03
Total, . . .	<hr/> \$8,791 61
Paid for Stetson High School, . . .	1,250 00
Total, . . .	<hr/> \$10,041 61

Respectfully,

WINSLOW BATTLES,
JAMES MOLLOY,
GEO. H. WILKINS,

School Committee.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

To the Selectmen of Randolph:

GENELEMEN, — The Engineers of the Fire Department of Randolph respectfully submit the following Report: —

ORGANIZATION.

The Department organized May 1, 1880, as follows: —

ENGINEERS.

John Dooley, Jr., *Chief*; Lévi Wilbur, Louis Goeres:
C. A. Wales, *Clerk*.

COMPANIES.

Steamer No. 1, A. J. Gove, *Driver*; W. P. Alden, *Engineer*; John T. Cartwright, *Fireman*.

Hose Co. No. 1,	20 men,	James Farrell,	<i>Foreman</i> .
Pioneer H. & L. Co. No. 1,	25 "	Sam'l A. Foster,	"
Independence No. 3,	50 "	James E. Neary,	"
Fearless No. 3,	50 "	Myron W. Hollis,	"

FIRES.

The number of fires the past year has been six, one less than the previous year, and in our opinion these have all been of incendiary origin.

The department has been called to the following fires: —

March 5, 12.30 A.M. House on South street, owned by Mrs. Grant, damaged. Engines present: Steamer, Hose Co., Pioneer H. & L. Co. and Fearless.

March 7, 12.45 A.M. Store of James E. Nash, Main

street, damaged. Occupied by N. Rosenfeld, P. H. Sheridan, Dr. D. W. Leach and Dr. F. Morton. Engines present : Steamer, Pioneer H. & L. and Hose Co.

April 6, 10.30 P.M. Barn on South street, owned by R. Adams, consumed. Engines present : Steamer No. 1, Hose No. 1 and Pioneer H. & L. Co.

August 28, 10.15 P.M. Barn of Edmund Eddy, West street, consumed. Engines present : Steamer No. 1, Pioneer H. & L., Hose No. 1, Independence and Fearless.

Sept. 11, 11 P.M. Barn of James Donovan, Cross street, destroyed. Engines present : Steamer, Hose 1, Pioneer H. & L., Independence and Fearless.

Oct. 3, 1 A.M. Barn of Daniel Kelliher, Warren street, consumed. Engines present : Steamer, Independence, Pioneer H. & L., Hose No. 1 and Fearless.

EXPENSES FOR 1880-81.

Whole amount appropriated, \$3,350.00, divided as follows : —

For pay of men, . . .	\$1,800 00	
" purchase of hose, . . .	1,000 00	
" general expenses, . . .	550 00	\$3,350 00
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Paid for 144 men, \$12, . . .	\$1,728 00	
for hose,	900 00	
for general expenses, . . .	545 24	3,173 24
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Balance less than appropriation, . . .		\$176 76

Expenses of each company, as near as it is possible to separate them, are as follows : —

STEAMER NO. 1.

Paid 2 men, services one year to May 1, '81,	\$24 00
W. B. Brown, repairs,	40
T. Fardy & Son, "	2 50
2 rubber coats and caps, . . .	7 00
R. W. Turner & Co., coal, . . .	27 00
A. J. Gove, drawing steamer, .	55 00
W. P. Alden, cleaning steamer, fill- ing reservoir, &c.,	59 49
J. T. Cartwright, cleaning steamer,	2 50
J. T. Cartwright, taking care fire 20 weeks, '79-'80,	20 00
J. T. Cartwright, taking care fire 16 weeks, '80-'81,	16 00
Total,	<u>\$213 89</u>

RANDOLPH HOSE COMPANY.

Paid 20 men, services for year to May 1, 1881,	\$240 00
2 rubber coats and hats,	7 00
J. T. Cartwright, steward, care hose and steamer,	52 80
Total,	<u>\$299 80</u>

PIONEER HOOK AND LADDER COMPANY.

Paid 25 men, services for year to May 1, 1881,	
\$12,	\$300 00
10 rubber coats and caps,	35 00
Bishop & Co., repair ladder, . . .	5 00
T. Fardy & Son, repairs,	3 65
N. E. Knights, steward's bill and labor,	14 00
Total,	<u>\$357 65</u>

INDEPENDENCE NO. 3.

Paid 50 men, services for year to May 1, 1881,	
\$12,	\$600 00
J. N. Bullock, drawing, 1879, . .	3 00
H. H. Francis, repairs, 1879, . .	75
C. O. Bennett, oil and chimneys, .	84
Rubber coats and caps,	7 00
Mary Sullivan, rent of land one year, .	10 00
J. B. McGraine, steward's bill, . .	1 50
James Meaney, " "	9 25
E. O. Leach & Co., oil for hose, . .	22 27
F. Howard, oiling hose,	5 00
Total,	<hr/> \$659 61

FEARLESS.

Paid 47 men, services for year to May 1, 1881,	
\$12,	\$564 00
W. B. Brown, axe-helve,	1 00
Josiah Clark, wood, 1879,	1 50
Rubber coats and caps,	7 00
James Riley, rent of land one year, .	10 00
E. O. Leach & Co., oil for hose, . .	22 28
F. Howard, steward's bill,	15 75
" " oiling hose,	5 00
Total,	<hr/> \$626 53

GENERAL EXPENSES.

Paid Richard Blanche, repair reservoir, Warren St.	\$3 00
Wm. B. Brown, screens and hose bunch, .	5 75
Wm. F. Henry, repair of doors, . . .	5 92
T. Fardy & Son, iron for engine-house, .	2 69

Paid L. Wilbur, laying hose, filling reservoir, .	\$5 00
L. Slade & Son, tank,	10 00
Dr. B. White & Co., supplies,	10 36
Lewis Bulcher, shoveling snow,	3 00
J. T. Cartwright, "	6 00
C. A. Wales, lead pipe, sink, faucets, boiler, &c.,	32 15
C. A. Wales, cash paid Hall Rubber Co., 50 feet hose and pipe,	12 65
Wm. Henry, Frank Taylor and others, extra labor after fire,	10 75
A. J. Gove, extra bill,	6 18
E. A. Perry, repairs,	1 00
H. M. White, well bucket and screws,	1 31
Total,	<u>\$115 76</u>

RECEIPTS.

Received for "Fire King" engine,	\$400 00
" for old leather hose sold,	45 00
" for rent of Independence Hall,	1 00
" for rent of Fearless Hall, and gallon oil,	6 25
	<u>\$452 25</u>

ENGINE HOUSES.

The houses at the present time are all in very good condition.

RESERVOIRS.

The reservoirs are all full and all in good condition, with one exception, which may need some repairs. We think the citizens have seen the great advantage of those already built, and one at least should be built each year in some part of

the town, so that in time there would be very few buildings but what could be reached from some reservoir. We think reservoirs could be built, except where buildings are very near each other, at a cost of \$400, large enough for all common fires. We would also call the attention of the citizens to the recommendation made last year, in relation to keeping water in one of the ponds on Main Street, as there is quite a large amount of property below the ponds that must depend almost wholly on them for water in case of fire. In case of a large fire in the centre of the town, we should have an inexhaustible supply the greater part of the year. Also as in case of fire in Allen's block, to immediately fill reservoir at head of Warren Street, or the one in front of Town House. We do not think the expense would be over \$100.

HOSE.

The amount of hose in the department at the present time is 1100 feet of leather, 1000 feet of canvas hose purchased with the steamer, and 1050 feet of canvas hose which was purchased of American Fire Hose Manufacturing Co., for the sum of \$900, although the price had advanced since the previous year, and which has given general satisfaction to the Firemen and Engineers; this was all the hose we considered necessary for the past and also for the present year.

ENGINES.

The steamer has as in the previous year given general satisfaction. And we have been fortunate in still securing the services of Mr. A. J. Gove as driver, W. P. Alden, engineer, and John T. Cartwright, fireman, whom we have always found promptly on hand and reliable. During the year we have disposed of the "Fire King" engine to the town of Douglas, through the agency of H. H. Estabrooke, of

Boston, for the sum of \$400, warranting it in good order, but on the first trial in that town one of the brakes was broken through a flaw; we felt in duty bound to make good the loss, which amounted to \$15.00.

We wish to call the attention of the citizens to the expense account of the department, and before doing so we wish every fireman to remember that we have no fault to find with any company or member, or of the good work which they have done in the past. It will be seen that the expenses for the year ending March 1, 1879, were \$2,943 95

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which will more than pay the interest on \$4,985.97, the amount expended for steamer, hose-carriage, hose, and repairs on engine-house. It will also be seen that the expense, of running either of the hand-engines is nearly three times as much as the expense of steamer, which has been to every fire, or over \$100 more than the expenses of steamer and hose company combined. The principal expense of running hand-engines is the amount paid for men, and no engine can run with less than fifty. Now, we do not wish to deprive any fireman of the \$12 a year which he receives for his services; as any one who has had any experience as a fireman knows that \$12 is small pay in comparison with the danger from accident and exposure. The disadvantages which hand-engines labor under at the present time are that they are often obliged to run long distances in all kinds of weather and travelling, and any reasonable man knows that three men are not able to stand and work at the brakes for a very long time. The buildings are being built nearer and larger, and will continue to be so; wells are being built under cover and in places where it is harder for engines to get at.

For the benefit of every citizen and tax-payer, for the purpose of reducing the expenses of the department, or if not, of rendering it more efficient by the aid of newly-invented fire apparatus, and for the better protection of buildings which cannot be reached from reservoirs, and from the experience gained in the use of the steamer at different fires during the past year, the engineers, after carefully considering the subject, would recommend that the town purchase a chemical extinguisher, to be used in place of one of the hand-engines, which can very easily be disposed of if necessary.

The reasons in favor of an extinguisher are that it can be run with less men ; being so much lighter, it can get to fires sooner ; is all ready for work as soon as it arrives ; never gets tired ; does not damage buildings as with water ; and we think the difference in the cost of running would more than pay the interest on the cost. We have not been able to get the price of, or the expenses of running for a year.

The town of Brockton has four in use, the town of Quincy has purchased one the past year, Milton and other towns have voted to purchase this year.

PAY OF MEN.

The pay of men we leave for the town to take action on.

APPROPRIATIONS.

In making our estimate for the ensuing year, we ask for the following amounts ; the number of men necessary to run the department the same as last year, with full companies, would be 147, to which we wish to add four fire police, who shall be appointed by the Selectmen and Engineers, and receive the same pay as firemen : —

151 men,	
Incidental expenses,	\$550 00

In the incidental expenses we have not included the expense of filling reservoirs, which depends on the number of fires, and new reservoirs which the town should vote to build. These expenses should be included in the general expenses of the town.

We respectfully submit the above report.

JOHN DOOLEY, JR., *Chief*,
 LEVI WILBUR,
 LOUIS GOERES,
 CHARLES A. WALES.

DR.		TOWN OF RANDOLPH IN ACCOUNT WITH	
1881.			
Paid Town Orders.	.	.	\$36,496 16
Treasury Notes,	.	.	13,200 00
Interest,	.	.	2,451 49
Turner Library Fund, amt. rec'd for Dog Licenses,	.	.	350 34
State Treasurer, balance Corporation Tax, 1879,	.	.	33 00
State Treasurer, balance Bank Tax, 1879,	.	.	9 91
State Treasurer, State Tax, 1880,	.	.	2,055 00
State Treasurer, Bank Tax, 1880,	.	.	2,517 25
Books, Paper, Postage, Stationery, T. C. and Treas.,	.	.	30 50
Town Clerk expenses Stoughton Election Returns,	.	.	3 50
Town Clerk and Sexton, collecting, recording and re- turning births, marriages and deaths,	.	.	84 90
Treasurer's Salary,	.	.	100 00
*Balance,	.	.	4,310 67

			\$61,642 72
*Cash in hands of Treasurer,	.	.	\$1,752 72
Due from E. M. Roel on Tax, 1880,	.	.	2,557 95
			\$4,310 67

RANDOLPH, March 18, 1881.

The undersigned, Auditors of Accounts, elected at the annual town meeting in April, 1880, respectfully report that they have examined the accounts of the Town Treasurer and find the same correctly kept, with proper vouchers for all payments.

ROYAL W. TURNER.
JAMES BURKE, JR.
C. G. HATHAWAY.

HIRAM C. ALDEN, TREASURER.

Cr.

Balance received of C. C. Farnham,	\$4.825 19
Balance due from E. M. Roel on Taxes, 1879, . .	2.363 55
Received on account of R. Adams' note,	200 00
" for Treasury Notes,	8,000 00
" Tax Bill, 1880,	32,474 19
" of E. M. Roel, interest collected on Taxes of 1879, .	176 07
" Dividends of Randolph National Bank,	80 00
" for Salt Grass,	20 00
" for Dog Licenses — County Treasurer,	350 34
" from State Treasurer on acct. of State School Fund, .	173 43
" from State Treasurer on account of State Aid, . .	2,202 50
" from Supt. School Committee for books sold, . .	432 29
" from Engineers for old hose,	45 00
" from Engineers for rent of engine house,	7 25
" from Fire King Engine,	400 00
" for Flag Pole,	1 00
" of E. M. Roel, extra taxes, 1879,	33 51
" of H. Jacobs, License Pedlar,	11 00
" of J. Spear Estate, bill refunded,	28 50
" of H. L. Peirce, rent Ponkapog Pond,	1 00
" of State Treasurer, Corporation Tax, 1880, . . .	2,521 87
" of State Treasurer, Bank Tax, 1880,	4,200 68
" of State Treasurer, Indigent Soldiers and Sailors, .	156 93
" of Town of Methuen, pauper,	157 50
" of Town of Leicester, pauper,	76 80
" of Town of North Brookfield, pauper,	3 10
" of Town of Mansfield, pauper,	12 00
" of Town of Medway, pauper,	54 25
" of City of Taunton, pauper,	73 00
" of Town of Stoughton, pauper,	179 90
" of Town of Quincy, pauper,	15 00
" of Town of Foxboro', pauper,	35 50
" of Town of Brockton, pauper,	89 67
" of Town of Easton, pauper,	203 30
" of Town of Holbrook, pauper,	1,345 74
" from Town Farm, labor and produce sold, . . .	650 84
" from sundry persons, aid refunded,	41 82

 \$61,647 22

STATE OF THE TREASURY MARCH 1, 1881.

DR.

Notes Payable :

1 note to Commonwealth. due March 1, 1882, 6 per cent.	\$5,000 00
1 note to Commonwealth. due July 1, 1883, 4½ "	7,000 00
1 note to Randolph Savings Bank on demand, 6 "	5,000 00
1 note to Randolph Savings Bank " 5 "	5,000 00
1 note to Turner Free Library " 6 "	5,000 00
6 notes to Patrick McMahon " 6 "	3,400 00
1 note to Lemuel Wentworth " 6 "	1,600 00
1 note to Ebenezer Moulton " 6 "	900 00
1 note to Lucy A. Wilber " 6 "	500 00
1 note to Jephtha Howard " 6 "	2,000 00
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	\$35,400 00
Estimated amount of interest amount due March 1, 1881,	350 00
Estimated amount of bills unpaid,	600 00
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	\$36,350 00

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Coddington Fund. — 8 shares Randolph Nat. Bank,	\$1,600 00
Seth Marsh. Quincy.	500 00
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	\$2,100 00
Due from E. M. Roel. tax collected on tax, 1880.	2,557 95
Due from other towns and State. Pauper accts.,	1,130 35
Due from Commonwealth on account of State aid,	2,525 75
Due from Commonwealth on account of State aid, acct. 1879.	995 57
Due from treasurer. cash in his hands.	1,752 72
Due from Supt. School Committee, books.	203 44
Due on Richard Adams' note, March 1, 1881,	755 58
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	\$12,021 36
Balance net town debt,	24,328 64
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	\$36,350 00

STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

To the Selectmen and Inhabitants of the Town of Randolph:

The Trustees of the Stetson School Fund, having attended to their duty, beg leave to submit the following Report of the manner in which they have performed the work assigned them. Though no opportunity has been offered to change the investments of the fund so as to increase the income therefrom, the Trustees feel that they have reason to congratulate themselves, and the town as well, that, during all the years of financial doubt, distrust and uncertainty through which the country, generally, has passed since they have held the securities, no loss of principal has occurred, while the interest realized yearly has, at least, been respectable.

The following list comprises the securities:—

10 shares	Eliot National Bank, Boston (par),	\$1,000
10 "	Webster National Bank, Boston (par),	1,000
10 "	Hide & Leather Nat'l Bank, Boston (par),	1,000
10 "	Shoe & Leather Nat'l Bank, Boston (par),	1,000
10 "	Exchange National Bank, Boston (par),	1,000
10 "	Boylston National Bank, Boston (par),	1,000
10 "	Tremont National Bank, Boston (par),	1,000
20 "	Old Boston National Bank, Boston (par),	1,000
13 "	Shawmut National Bank, Boston (par),	1,300
13 "	Randolph National Bank, Randolph (par),	1,300
		\$10,600

The annexed financial account is an itemized statement of the receipts and disbursements for the year. Certain improvements, the need of which has for a long time been felt by the patrons of Stetson Hall and citizens of the town generally, have been made, by raising the roof of the L, on the south side of the building, and by other labor in different parts thereof, tending to the desired end, at an expense to the fund of one hundred and ninety-four dollars, the Selectmen having appropriated a like amount in aid of the object. Knowing very nearly what the expenses must, at least, be for the ensuing year, as well as the extent of income from the fund, the Trustees are obliged to ask of the town an appropriation of twelve hundred and fifty dollars, which is the least possible sum that can meet the needs of the same.

STETSON HIGH SCHOOL.

At the annual commencement of the school, April 6, 1880, under the charge of Mr. E. N. Lovering, principal, and Miss Augusta Bunker, assistant, there were fifty-one applicants for admission, forty-two of whom, twenty girls and twenty-two boys, being found qualified upon examination, were admitted, making the whole number in the school at the commencement, seventy-four. The average attendance during the year, $65\frac{2}{10}$, and the school has been in session thirty-eight weeks. The school works in admirable harmony with the others in town, filling the place and performing the duties which the law makes incumbent upon a High School in the educational system established by the State. The Trustees find reason to deprecate the tenacity with which some parents insist upon sending their children for admission to the school before they have finished the course in the schools below, and regardless of the advice of the School Committee to the contrary, under the mistaken idea, per-

haps, that it will be beneficial to the pupils to gain admission if, by any mistake even, they can do so, not seeming to understand that the adoption of the course of study pursued was based upon the presumption that the pupils are proficient in the lower branches before they enter here. It is quite unreasonable to suppose that very young pupils can pursue a course of High School study to anything like the advantage that those of mature age can derive therefrom; therefore the Trustees implore the parents not to insist upon sending such, or those that have not passed through the grammar course, though they may think that they have the right to do so by the terms of the Stetson donation, which view it is very doubtful if the facts sustain, when it is considered that the donor expressed the intention to furnish the youth of the town with the means of acquiring an education beyond what the other schools of the town afford, and made the Trustees the sole judges of the qualifications of the pupils to be admitted.

Mr. Lovering, the principal, is a young man of education and culture to a degree which readily inspires confidence in his ability to perform the work that he undertakes. He is a graduate of Harvard College, and has had experience in teaching in the High School of Lexington, Mass., from whence he came here, bringing high testimonials as to character and qualifications, from various credible sources, and whither he has since been solicited to return, and accept the position of principal in said school, at a salary considerably in advance of that for which he has served us the past year. Having adopted the profession of teaching, he proposes to make it his life work, devoting his attention and energies thereto. Acquaintance and experience with him having verified that which his credentials promised, the Trustees have secured his services for the ensuing year, as well as

those of Miss Bunker, whose efficiency fully sustains the opinion expressed concerning her in a previous report. The school being in the hands of competent teachers, for the present, at least, the Trustees feel justified in assuring its patrons that it will maintain the high standing it has hitherto attained, and make such further progress as the spirit of this enlightened age shall demand, an earnest of what is promised for it being afforded by the great excellence of the thirty-seventh annual public examination which occurred March 18th inst., in the school-rooms, followed by the exhibition of the graduating class in Stetson Hall, where the diplomas were presented it, in the presence of the Trustees, the School Committee, the clergy of the town, invited guests and citizens generally; the spacious hall being filled to its utmost seating capacity. All seemed well pleased with the exercises, no utterances being heard but those of approval and entire satisfaction with the manner in which the pupils acquitted themselves in both places. The graduating class consisted of the following-named pupils:—

NAMES OF GRADUATES.

Lizzie Dwight Leach,	Nellie Mabel Field,
Hattie Emma Towns,	Clara Wales Alden,
Katie Agnes Keirnan.	Mary Bridget DeNeill.

The plan of examining candidates for admission to the school at or near the close of the school-year, instead of at its commencement, as heretofore, has been adopted, and in accordance therewith an examination was held on March 5, at which time, out of thirty-three applicants, twenty-three being, on examination, found qualified to meet the requirements, were admitted to membership for the ensuing year. These admissions make the school quite large, perhaps larger

than ever before, and necessitate the placing of several new seats in the school-room.

The school for the ensuing year will commence on Tuesday, April 5, next, at 9 o'clock A.M.

DANIEL HOWARD,
T. T. CUSHMAN,
EDWARD KANE,

Trustees Stetson School Fund.

RANDOLPH, March 21, 1881.

WITH STETSON SCHOOL FUND.

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1880.

April.	By balance against the Fund from last year,	\$224 10
April 17.	By paying J. L. Hammett, bill stationery, . . .	5 10
May 22.	By paying Willard Small, bill " . . .	21 70
June 24.	By paying E. M. Lovering, three months' salary,	250 00
	By paying Miss Augusta Bunker " " "	125 00
	By paying Colin Boyd, labor and repairs, . . .	23 61
Aug. 4.	By paying F. Porter bill of items, . . .	18 55
Sept. 30.	By paying Miss Bunker salary, . . .	126 83
Oct. 1.	By paying Mr. Lovering salary and items . . .	255 00
	By paying J. E. Nash, bill repairs clock, . . .	2 00
Nov. 18.	By paying Colin Boyd, care of room and material,	17 66
Nov. 19.	By paying Miss Bunker salary in part (one half term),	62 50
Dec.	By paying Miss Bunker balance of term, . . .	62 50
Dec. 31.	By paying E. M. Lovering, salary one term, . . .	250 00
	By paying R. W. Turner & Co., 9 tons coal, . . .	54 00

1881.

Jan. 3.	By paying H. H. Francis part of repairs and additions,	194 62
Feb. 22.	By paying R. Jordan, repairs of rods (lightning), . . .	4 00
	By paying Mr. Lovering salary one term, , . .	250 00
	By paying Miss Bunker salary one half term, . . .	62 50
	By paying Miss Bunker " " " . . .	62 50
	By paying Colin Boyd, care of room and repairs, . . .	21 51
	By paying Trustees and Secretary for services one year, \$5 each.	20 00
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		\$2,113 68
Balance to new account,		82 34
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		\$1,196 02

The undersigned, Selectmen of the town of Randolph, have made examination of the accounts of the Trustees of the Stetson School Fund, as represented, and find them correct. The balance in the treasury, eighty-two and thirty-four one-hundredths dollars. The investments remain the same as last year, in the bank stock reported by the Trustees, the par value of which is \$10,600, the certificates remaining in the hands of the Secretary, Hon. Seth Turner.

JOHN T. FLOOD,
SIDNEY FRENCH,
ROYAL T. MANN,

RANDOLPH, March 7. 1881.

Selectmen of Randolph.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Articles 3d and 4th of the By-Laws require that the President (and in his absence, the Vice-President) shall annually make to the Town, before the spring meeting, a full report in writing of the condition of the Trust, the Building, Library and Funds, or he may include in his such parts of the reports before submitted to the Trustees by the various Committees, with the estimates and recommendations, as he shall deem best. The undersigned, in behalf of the Trustees, submits the following statement as the Fifth Annual Report, in conformity to said by-laws. The first requirement of the report relates to the —

TRUST.

This embraces all the property held, to wit, the building, library and investments, all of which are under the immediate care and supervision of various committees, subject to the approval of the Board. The Committee on Finance, in their report to the Trustees, state that the cash portion of the fund remains the same as formerly, and consists of a note of the Town of Randolph for \$5,000, which is in the hands of the Treasurer.

BUILDING.

The Committee who have the general care of the Library Building report to the Trustees its general good condition and its occupancy by the same parties as in previous years. No extraordinary expense will be required the present year for repairs or improvements.

LIBRARY.

Great credit is due the gentlemen composing the Library Committee for their labor, care and admirable discretion in the selection of the valuable and useful collection of books now upon our catalogue, and also for the prompt and faithful manner in which they have discharged all the important duties devolving upon them. And I cannot refrain from alluding to the feeling often expressed by the Trustees, that the Librarian and his assistant have each performed their respective duties in a highly satisfactory and creditable manner.

Year by year more importance is being attached to the advantages derived from public libraries, and the demand is steadily increasing for useful and instructive reading. The present and future standard of thought and manners of character and intelligence in any community depends in a great measure on the style of books read and examined by the patrons of its public library.

People in the various cities and towns in this Commonwealth who are already provided for, consider the Public Library as one of the great auxiliaries in educational pursuits. Such a treasure house in this generation is coveted by every intelligent community. In the last Report of the Trustees of the Library in the town of Quincy, occurs the following: "It is also a fact worthy of mention that of the four towns into which the original Braintree has been subdivided, — Braintree, Randolph and Holbrook being the other three, — Quincy the old 'North Precinct,' where the church was first gathered, was the last to be supplied with a public library building. To the Thayer Library in Braintree, the Holbrook Library in Holbrook and the Turner Library in Randolph, is now added the Thomas Crane Library in Quincy."

The semi-annual reports of the Librarian to the Trustees best show the practical workings of the Library during the year 1880, from which the following statistics are given : —

Number of days open to the public,	295
Volumes issued for six months to July 1, 1880,	11,000
Volumes issued for six months to Jan. 1, 1881,	8,685
Largest daily issue for six months to July 1, 1880,	270
Largest daily issue for six months to Jan. 1, 1881,	213
Average daily issue for six months to July 1, 1880,	72
Average daily issue for six months to Jan. 1, 1881,	62
Smallest daily issue for 1880,	2
Largest monthly issue during 1880,	2,135
Smallest monthly issue during 1880 (excluding July, in which month the Library was closed several days for examination), June,	1,438
Average monthly issue for the year,	1,640
Number of cards in use for six months to July 1, 1880,	2,041
Number of cards in use for six months to Jan. 1, 1881,	2,127
Number of volumes in the Library, Jan. 1, 1880,	6,679
Number of volumes in the Library, Jan. 1, 1881,	7,194
Additions for the year,	515

The following extract taken from the Report of the Librarian contains many interesting suggestions : —

"I find increasing pleasure in the assurance that our Public Library (the pride and boast of the village) has lost nothing of its prestige or usefulness ; but rather while serving largely to agreeably entertain many of its patrons, it is also slowly, yet surely, establishing itself as a vital link in the chain of educational agencies, and is thus creating for

itself a constant, appreciative and more enduring influence. It cannot be expected that in five short years, and in a manufacturing village, the Public Library will or can attain its legitimate sphere of influence. To reach such a standard is both desirable and salutary, and each and every means should be used which may conduce to its successful accomplishment. When the treasures of the Library are rightly appropriated, and its mission properly understood by the public, it has an educational power higher, broader and more abiding than even the much-famed Public Schools of our Commonwealth. They are but the narrow staircase leading to the great galleries of science and investigation found only in our Public Libraries. Toward this much-desired education of the popular mind much might be accomplished by the instructors of High and Grammar schools would they but recommend to their graduates such continued course of study and reading as may be freely found in the Library.

"The Library may have its abuses, but it is a great comfort to feel that we are able to accomplish very much of good. Could the public know of the meagre beginnings of some of our laboring boys, who at first were content to read only the Robinson Crusoes of our shelves, and who now are poring night after night over the deepest essays, and reveling amid the foreign classics, they would feel much had been accomplished. Since my last report the annual examination of books has been made; and every volume found upon the shelves (save only two previously reported as stolen). The examination revealed the fact that quite a number of volumes, now badly worn, must soon be replaced or condemned.

"Our Supplementary Catalogue has been completed, and is slowly finding its way into the homes of our patrons. Thus far we have heard only commendatory remarks concerning it. It certainly meets a long-felt necessity, and is

in keeping with the substantial character of our Library. In regard to the Monthly Bulletins, I have endeavored to make them somewhat more complete than in the past, thus simulating more perfectly the plan of the catalogues.

"The Trustees have instructed the Librarian to distribute gratuitously (to all persons purchasing catalogues) copies of the Bulletins as they may be published."

Catalogues can be obtained of the Librarian at prices ranging from twenty to fifty cents each.

FUNDS.

To conduct the Library the coming year to meet the wants of its patrons, the estimates from income are as follows :—

From rents,	\$600 00	
Interest on town note (cash fund),	300 00	
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Appropriations asked for from the town "dog tax" (by estimate),	\$250 00	
The Trustees respectfully request the usual appropriations made in previous years of	500 00	
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		\$1,650 00

The accounts of the Treasurer herewith annexed, show the receipts and expenditures for the past year, and which have been duly audited by the proper committee.

ACCOUNT OF ROYAL W. TURNER, TREASURER.

Jan. 1880.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand,	\$1,010 41
Fines received of the Librarian,	40 65
Catalogues sold by Librarian,	4 35
Received from town "dog tax,"	258 64
Rents received from Randolph National Bank,	100 00
" " Savings Bank,	100 00
" " D. B. White & Co.,	300 00
Cash received from banks for proportion of heat,	50 00
" " for proportion of light,	15 00
" from parish for " "	25 00
" from S. & R. W. Turner for proportion of light,	60 00
Cash received from town appropriation,	500 00
" from interest on town note (\$5,000 the amount of the fund),	300 00
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Jan. 1880.

EXPENDITURES.

Amount paid Librarian for salary,	\$500 00
" " for services preparing new catalogue,	100 00
" for printing new catalogue,	184 50
" for repairs, gas fixtures and sundries,	23 75
" for gasoline,	144 96
" for printing,	43 00
" janitor for services,	131 99
" for sundry bills,	11 45
" for postage,	2 44
" for coal and wood,	164 00
" for expressage,	22 67

Amount paid for books, papers, pamphlets, &c., .	\$678 21
Balance on hand, deposited in Randolph Natl. Bank,	857 18
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	\$2,864 05

Respectfully submitted,

J. WHITE BELCHER,

Vice-President of the Board of Trustees.

RANDOLPH, March 9, 1881.

BIRTHS.

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH, 1880.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
1879.		
June 26,	Maggie B. Donkin, . . .	James M. and Louisa (Hall).
July 10,	Willie H. Porter, . . .	Daniel R. and Emma J. (Peach).
Oct. 26,	Ella C. DeNeil, . . .	Philip and Anna A. (Nash).
Nov. 16,	Hattie F. Stone, . . .	George K. and Hattie L. (Mansfield).
1880.		
Jan. 4,	Charles Gallagher, . . .	Peter and Katie (Igo).
8,	Joseph O'Connor, . . .	Michael P. and Mary (McNamarra).
12,	Chester L. Stetson, . . .	Lewis K. and Amanda J. (Huff).
12,	Annie D. Riley, . . .	James T. and Mary (McMahon).
10,	Alice Donahue, . . .	John F. and Anna F. (Jordan).
17,	Mary C. Hill, . . .	Charles D. and Mary E. (Fardy).
19,	William J. Howard, . . .	Charles F. and Lydia W. (Purrrington).
Feb. 10,	— Faunce, . . .	Hiram S. and Hannah E. (Clark).
11,	Nellie Meaney, . . .	James H. and Mary (Carroll).
19,	Walter C. Mann, . . .	Frank and Julia A. (Delano).
20,	George E. Easton, . . .	George E. and Margaret (Shepard).
26,	Patrick F. Sullivan, . . .	Michael and Mary (Sullivan).
25,	Francis McLaughlan, . . .	Patrick H. and Elizabeth R. (Kerrigan).
March 4,	John Dunn, . . .	John J. and Catherine (Green).
8,	Michael Brady, . . .	James and Margaret (Cahill).
10,	Arthur M. Beal, . . .	Frank M. and Anna W. (Belcher).
20,	Alice Dennehey, . . .	Daniel D. and Margaret (McConety).
22,	Richard Powers, . . .	John and Anna (Rogers).
28,	Lena E. Jones, . . .	George W. and Olive M. (Hayden).
31,	Elizabeth A. Johnston, . . .	John and Elizabeth (Doonor).
31,	Arthur Denning, . . .	Philip and Bridget (McAuley).
28,	Anne F. Moran, . . .	Thomas and Joanna (McAuliffe).
April 1,	Jennie Neary, . . .	James E. and Anna C. (DeNeil).
7,	Maud L. Pratt, . . .	William H. and Marion L. (Walker).
12,	George Cass, . . .	Edward D. and Sarah G. (Frawley).
22,	Charles L. Barry, . . .	Thomas D. and Frances M. (Hogan).
18,	Amy L. Thompson, . . .	James and Susan M. (Pool).
30,	Mary E. Donohue, . . .	Thomas and Ellen (Mullins).
May 5,	Walter E. Slader, . . .	Byron and Millie R. (Smith).
7,	Louisa Dexter, . . .	George and Ellen A. (Keefe).
11,	James P. Riley, . . .	Thomas F. and Bridget E. (Bohan).
18,	Mary L. Hayden, . . .	William H. and Lizzie A. (Drury).
18,	Harold F. Howard, . . .	Edgar and Frances O. (Cross).
28,	Herbert Jones, . . .	Soriano M. and Mary E. (Orcutt).
June 5,	Nellie F. Rooney, . . .	Peter T. and Ellen T. (Donnovan).
6,	Edwin M. Stetson, . . .	William M. and Grace E. (Hobart).
12,	James H. Barry, . . .	Thomas G. and Nellie F. (Sullivan).
19,	Julia Fitzgerald, . . .	Jeremiah and Mary A. (Smith).
23,	Vintie Clark, . . .	Benjamin L. and Lucy A. (Myers).
26,	Charles F. Sheridan, . . .	Patrick H. and Catharine E. (Blanch).
26,	William E. Foley, . . .	James E. and Margaret (Barry).
24,	John Kelliher, . . .	Denis and Rose H. (Riley).
30,	— Chase, . . .	Augustus L. and Mary L. (Mann).
July 2,	Ralph K. Corliss, . . .	Simon B. and Susan (Kingsbury).
6,	James McLaughlan, . . .	James D. and Mary E. A. (Kerrigan).
6,	Kate O'Neil, . . .	Timothy and Ellen M. (Davis).
10,	Jennie E. Eddy, . . .	George F. and Mary E. (Glover).
10,	Hugh Gerrity, . . .	James H. and Mary J. (Barry).
13,	Frances McLaughlan, . . .	Wm. F. Morrissey and Marg't T. McLaughlan

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH, 1880. — CONTINUED.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
July	15, Patrick Kinnier, . . .	Patrick and Joanna C. (Burke).
	22, Grace W. Belcher, . . .	Benjamin and Caroline A. (Billings).
	20, Wilfred A. Bearse, . . .	J. Frank and Kate (Brightman).
Aug.	1, Isabel T. Perry, . . .	Edward A. and Martha E. (Turner).
	7, Hattie Good, . . .	William E. and Maria (Kelliher).
	13, Edith A. Shedd, . . .	Henry H. and Sarah J. (Chessman).
	24, Ellen T. McAuliffe, . . .	Robert and Ellen (Cousins).
	30, Lawrence E. Hayes, . . .	Andrew E. and Mary F. (Beman).
	31, Frank L. Jones, . . .	James M. and Sarah M. (Whitten).
	31, Ellen A. McAuliffe, . . .	Robert and Anne M. (Barry).
Sept.	2, Clara A. Whiting, . . .	Jared and Emma W. (Maeege).
	4, Margaret H. Uniac, . . .	Richard and Elizabeth J. (Cahill).
	1, Cora A. Baker, . . .	Minot W. and Emma A. (Fritts).
	6, Flora M. Flint, . . .	Charles and Mabel A. (Cragin).
	8, Margaret McAuliffe, . . .	Richard and Margaret (McSweeney).
	14, Anna C. Devine, . . .	James and Mary A. (Eddy).
	22, Oscar W. Holbrook, . . .	Morton and Melinda C. (Hollis).
	25, Lottie E. Holbrook, . . .	Enos and Sarah M. (Burrell).
	30, Alice Sullivan, . . .	John F. and Sarah C. (Bennison).
Oct.	1, Arthur Gorstle, . . .	Harry W. and Anna P. (Simmons).
	14, George L. Binney, . . .	George L. and Jeanette (Wilbur).
	15, Ella Forrest, . . .	Augustus and Margaret (Reynolds).
	16, William Clark, . . .	Patrick and Mary (Sweeney).
	18, Wade C. Belcher, . . .	Joseph and Anna M. (Wild).
	19, Maggie A. English, . . .	Thomas and Fanny E. (Hogan).
	22, John F. Mahoney, . . .	Patrick F. and Ellen F. (Pope).
	30, Gertie B. Johnson, . . .	George M. and Hannah C. (Burrell).
Nov.	4, Theressa Pope, . . .	David and Elizabeth (Dennehey).
	12, Mary C. Toomey, . . .	Daniel and Mary A. (Meanev).
	12, Ellen F. Lynch, . . .	Thomas and Alice B. (Carey).
	20, John H. Bowman, . . .	John S. and Maggie A. (Birdsall).
	23, Katie F. Smith, . . .	Martin F. and Mary E. (Callahan).
	23, — Alden, . . .	Frederick H. and Josephine C. (Gadon).
	25, Elizabeth Clark, . . .	James W. and Mary (Bentley).
Dec.	3, — Bauermeister, . . .	George H. and Henrietta C. (Paine).
	8, Mary J. Kennedy, . . .	Nicholas and Margaret E. (Rooney).
	10, E'len E. Hurley, . . .	William W. and Catharine J. (Hogan).
	19, Charles Mahoney, . . .	Patrick and Rosanna (Heart).
	19, Bartholomew Mahoney, . . .	Bartholomew and Mary (Builer).
	21, Lena Maria Fretterton, . . .	William F. and Maria E. (Shankland).
	18, John Heney, . . .	John and Martha (McMullen).
	19, John Sanderson, . . .	Thomas H. and Mary A. (Trainor).

MARRIAGES.

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH, 1880.

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
Jan.	7, William H. White,	Randolph,	19
	Anna M. Donohue,	"	18
	18, Joseph Fisher,	Brockton,	27
	Margaret T. Howard,	Randolph,	24
	20, Charles Franklin Wild,	Randolph,	24
	Ellen Palmer King,	"	22
	22, William O. Keefe,	Randolph,	25
	Julia A. Crosby,	"	22
Feb.	10, Ephraim Wood,	Brockton,	21
	Catharine J. Murray,	Stoughton,	21
March	8, Wilder B. Hodsdon,	Cambridge,	20
	Lottie C. Pero,	Randolph,	18
	28, Thomas DeVine,	Randolph,	52
	Catharine Shevlin (Dillon),	Boston,	48
	30, Albert Augustus Drollet,	Braintree,	20
	Orianna Holbrook,	"	18
April	10, Walter Augustus Thayer,	Braintree,	22
	Abbie Salena Bowers,	"	24
	19, John Shaler Pierson,	Braintree,	28
	Ida Francis Kingsley,	Holbrook,	24
May	8, John H. Galligan,	Stoughton,	21
	Ida E. Thayer,	"	23
	12, George Belcher Nichols,	Randolph,	24
	Laura F. Bryant,	"	22
	20, Abraham G. Swain,	Randolph,	66
	Sarah F. Tucker,	Cambridge,	36
	25, William J. Tirrell,	Boston,	26
	Cora Francis May,	Randolph,	21
	27, John Farquhar,	Randolph,	47
	Mary Coyle (McDermott),	"	44
June	30, Walter Otis Crooker,	Holbrook,	23
	Ella Louise Gardner,	"	20
	30, Willie Albert Tabor,	Randolph,	23
	Annie E. Sullivan,	"	21
	1, John R. McGaughey,	Randolph,	25
	Mary A. Barry,	Holbrook,	24
	10, Guy Francis Wheeler,	Randolph,	22
	Clara Augusta Haskell,	Beverly,	24
	19, William C. Howard,	Randolph,	21
	Mary E. Williams,	"	20
	23, Thomas Devine, Jr.,	Randolph,	24
	Mary Elizabeth Dorr,	"	19

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH, 1880. — CONTINUED.

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.
June 23,	William Henry Pratt,	Braintree,	22
	Agnes Pratt,	Weymouth,	17
30,	John F. McGarrigle,	Randolph,	23
	Mary E. Gray,	"	23
July 1,	John Barrett,	Randolph,	28
	Mary E. Shepard,	"	23
Aug. 5,	Andrew Edmund Hayes, . . .	Randolph,	25
	Mary Frances Breenan, . . .	Stoughton,	23
July 14,	Preston Abbott,	Randolph,	29
	Abbie M. Deane,	"	30
Aug. 26,	Cornelius Good,	Randolph,	35
	Mary Welch,	"	27
Sept. 6,	John P. Ryan,	Jamaica Plain,	30
	Jennie Kiley,	Randolph,	24
6,	Henry Long,	Randolph,	36
	Bridget Powers,	"	27
23,	Eugene Howard,	Boston,	25
	Sarah Ann Gibbons,	Randolph,	25
30,	Patrick H. Kenny,	Stoughton,	25
	Mary C. O'Donnell,	"	20
Oct. 14,	Jeremiah J. Lynch,	Randolph,	29
	Anna D. Powderly,	"	23
29,	David P. McGaughey,	Randolph,	24
	Catharine E. Powers,	"	20
Nov. 7,	James Francis Gaynor,	Randolph,	26
	Mary P. Morgan,	"	19
8,	William Campbell,	Randolph,	29
	Rose Ward,	"	22
* 11,	John J. Kiley,	Randolph,	21
	Mary A. Dunrey,	Canton,	23
16,	George F. Beal,	Stoughton,	24
	Anne L. Dinter,	Randolph,	24
17,	John W. Moy,	Boston,	29
	Rose Quinn,	Randolph,	27
24,	Thomas J. Smith,	Brockton,	26
	Mary Ann Ward,	Randolph,	24
24,	Leonard P. Hunt,	Holbrook,	30
	Mary A. Holbrook,	Randolph,	30
Dec. 14,	Hiram H. Elliot,	Morgan, Vt.,	31
	Emma Elliot,	Randolph,	31
24,	Theodore C. Thompson,	Randolph,	21
	Lillian M. French,	"	21
25,	Charles E. Bump,	Randolph,	23
	Ada F. Otis,	Stoughton,	23
26.	Albert DeCosta,	Braintree,	21
	Mary Alice Haggerty,	Randolph,	19

DEATHS.

REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH, 1880.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			DISEASE.
		Y.	M.	D.	
Jan. 5,	Nancy A. Clark (Spear), . . .	68	4	14	Heart Disease.
16,	— Jones, . . .	—	—	2	Convulsions.
19,	Isabel O. Beal (Worcester), . . .	62	9	28	Pneumonia.
20,	James Lee Malley, . . .	—	5	24	Hydrocephalus.
23,	Michael Quinn, . . .	92	5	—	Old Age.
27,	George O. Cox, . . .	26	—	27	Consumption.
29,	Frank P. Chase, . . .	3	—	—	Cerebro-Spin'l Meningitis.
Feb. 4,	Charles M. Holbrook, . . .	46	11	4	Inflammation Brain.
4,	Edward Nash, . . .	71	11	—	Heart Disease.
6,	George S. Bennett, . . .	44	2	—	Consumption.
10,	Elvira B. Conant (Beal), . . .	73	11	2	Apoplexy.
14,	Elisha F. Thayer, . . .	34	3	11	Cancer of Liver.
16,	Elisha Holbrook, . . .	86	9	13	Old Age.
16,	Charlotte Buck (Dyer), . . .	66	11	11	Erysipelas.
17,	Augustus E. Forrest, . . .	—	11	9	Membraneous Croup.
17,	William Campbell, . . .	56	3	—	Pneumonia.
17,	— Faunce, . . .	—	—	7	Infantile.
23,	Ellen McAuliffe Donohue, . . .	52	—	—	Cancer of Womb.
27,	Catharine Driscoll (Harrington), . . .	70	9	—	Typhoid Pneumonia.
27,	John Welch, . . .	61	8	3	Consumption.
28,	Katie A. O'Brien, . . .	17	6	1	Phthisis.
Mar. 3,	Hannah Morrill (Mann), . . .	65	11	—	Intestinal Obstruction.
5,	Augusta E. Jones (Stevenson), . . .	22	3	11	Peritonitis.
8,	Catharine Callahan, . . .	70	—	—	Pneumonia.
12,	Margaret Watson (Holbrook), . . .	76	5	7	Old Age.
16,	Betsy Eddy (Marshall), . . .	52	10	3	Peritonitis.
19,	Catharine A. McLaughlin, . . .	3	3	7	Meningitis.
23,	Chester L. Stetson, . . .	—	2	11	Infantile.
Apr. 8,	Mary Agnes Meany, . . .	15	3	28	Consumption.
8,	Henry P. Piper, . . .	21	2	17	Typhoid Fever.
9,	Mary O'Connell (McNamarra), . . .	34	—	—	Acute Larangitis.
9,	John O'Brien, . . .	69	4	—	Consumption.
May 6,	Elizabeth Conlin (Fynn), . . .	99	6	2	Old Age.
14,	Lucinda Littlefield (Sherman), . . .	83	9	28	Congestion of Lungs.
15,	Mary Holbrook (Chaffin), . . .	77	5	8	Old Age.
20,	Hannah T. Ainslee (Stetson), . . .	26	7	1	Inflammation Brain.
June 3,	John Victory, . . .	79	6	—	Dropsy.
5,	John Nugent, . . .	52	—	—	Peritonitis.
5,	Edward Meighan, . . .	60	5	—	Paralysis.
9,	Perez A. Cushing, . . .	72	10	26	Marasmus.
28,	Hiram Wilson, . . .	60	2	28	Dissipation.
July 7,	Cassandra Littlefield, . . .	43	3	29	Phthisis.
8,	N. Etta Delano, . . .	24	8	8	Phthisis, Pulmonalis.
23,	James Gerald, . . .	82	6	—	Heart Disease.
29,	James T. Bohan, . . .	22	2	12	Heart Disease.
30,	Maud L. Pratt, . . .	—	3	23	Cholera Infantum.
Aug. 5,	John O'Reilly, . . .	5	1	14	Typhoid Fever.
21,	Frederick M. Thompson, . . .	83	2	1	Bright's Disease.
26,	Julia A. Farrell (Mulligan), . . .	55	—	—	Gastro Enteritis.
31,	Mary Carey (Muloney), . . .	61	—	—	Killed on R.R. track.
Sept. 6,	Vellie H. Deane, . . .	59	5	8	Pul. Hemorrhage, Cong.
15,	Clarissa W. Burton (Sweetser), . . .	69	8	16	Paralysis.
16,	Margaret O'Brien (Callahan), . . .	65	—	—	Pleuropneumony.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN RANDOLPH, 1880. — CONTINUED.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			DISEASE.
		Y.	M.	D.	
Sept. 20,	Mary E. Leahy,	16	10	—	Consumption.
25,	Timothy O'Neill,	69	—	—	Consumption.
25,	Elmer E. Jones,	5	4	28	Cerebro-Spin'l Meningitis.
Oct. 1,	Elizabeth A. Pool (Dyer),	60	4	24	Heart Disease.
10,	Gerald Gerrity,	40	9	6	Phthisis, Pulmonalis.
10,	William H. Simpson,	43	4	24	Consumption.
24,	Samuel Peirce,	69	7	—	Apoplexy.
29,	Jane Shea (Meany),	64	—	—	Heart Disease.
Nov. 2,	Lawrence Carney,	43	7	—	Killed on Railroad.
13,	Jacob Luteman,	76	5	11	Old Age.
21,	Helen Meany,	1	9	11	Cerebro-Spin'l Meningitis.
21,	Margaret T. Riley (Reily),	41	3	14	Childbed.
21,	— Riley,	—	—	—	Stillborn.
24,	Ellen Barry (Sullivan),	54	—	—	Quick Consumption.
26,	Mary Leach (Dickerman),	57	10	6	Phthisis.
30,	Sukey F. Alden,	75	9	7	Heart Disease.
Dec. 9,	Elanor L. Wilkins,	53	—	—	Erysipelas.
22,	— Thayer,	—	—	—	Stillborn.
Mar. 27,	— Brady,	—	—	—	Stillborn.
Apr. 11,	— Fardy,	—	—	—	Stillborn.

Any person perceiving any error in the returns of Births, Marriages and Deaths are requested to report the same to the Town Clerk that they may be corrected.

CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES.

Bright's disease ; convulsions ; cancer (liver) ; cancer (womb) ; cholera infantum ; croup (men) ; childbed ; congestion (lungs) ; dropsy ; dissipation ; ententis (gatro) ; hydrocephalus ; hemorrhage (pulmonary) ; intestinal obstruction ; larangitis (acute) ; marasmus ; pneumonia (typhoid) ; pneumonia (pleuro), — one each. apoplexy ; erysipelas ; killed on railroad track ; infantile ; typhoid fever ; paralysis ; phthisis pulmonalis ; brain (infla.), — two each. Phthisis ; pneumonia ; peritonitis, — three each. Cerebro-spinal meningitis ; still-born, — four each. Old age, six. Heart disease, seven. Consumption, nine.

Under 5 years of age,	.	.	.	.	9
Between 5 and 10,	.	.	.	.	2
“ 10 “ 20,	.	.	.	.	3
“ 20 “ 30,	.	.	.	.	6
“ 30 “ 40,	.	.	.	.	2
“ 40 “ 50,	.	.	.	.	7
“ 50 “ 60,	.	.	.	.	9
“ 60 “ 70,	.	.	.	.	15
“ 70 “ 80,	.	.	.	.	10
“ 80 “ 90,	.	.	.	.	4
“ 90 “ 100,	.	.	.	.	2
Still-born,	.	.	.	.	4
Total,	.	.	.	.	73

I hereby certify that the preceding returns are correct according to my best knowledge and belief.

HIRAM C. ALDEN,
Town Clerk.

TOWN MEETING WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, }
 NORFOLK, SS. }

TO HENRY H. FRANCIS, *or either of the Constables of the
 Town of Randolph, in said County,* GREETING :

You are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of Randolph, qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at Stetson Hall in said town, on Monday, the fourth day of April next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles ; namely,—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose all such town officers as towns are by law authorized and required to choose at their annual meeting. Also a trustee for Stetson School Fund.

ART. 3. To hear the report of the several town officers, and act thereon.

ART. 4. To vote by ballot, "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question, "Shall Licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

ART. 5. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the purpose of enforcing the law in relation to the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town during the ensuing year, as petitioned for by John C. Labaree and sixteen others.

ART. 6. To raise such sums of money as may be deemed necessary for the support of schools, and appropriate the same.

ART. 7. To raise such sums of money as may be thought proper for repairs of school buildings and incidental expenses of schools.

ART. 8. To decide on the amount of money required to defray the general town expenses for the ensuing year, and make appropriations thereof.

ART. 9. To raise such amount of money as may be deemed advisable for the reduction of the town debt, and make appropriation for the same.

ART. 10. To raise money for the repairs of highways, and determine the manner of expending the same.

ART. 11. To see what action the town will take in relation to engines and the pay of enginemen, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 12. To see what action the town will take relative to the purchasing of fire-extinguishers, as recommended by the engineers, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 13. To see what action the town will take in relation to the construction of reservoirs, as recommended by the engineers, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 14. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as prepared by the selectmen, and posted according to law.

ART. 15. To see if the town will make an appropriation for the decoration of soldiers' graves under the direction of Capt. Horace Niles, Post 110.

ART. 16. To see if the town will instruct the selectmen to remove the ledge on North Street, opposite the residence of S. W. Willard, and raise and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by S. W. Willard and others.

ART. 17. To see what action the town will take in relation to a claim of Francis Smith for damage occasioned by

ART. 26. To hear reports of committees, and act thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at five or more public places in said town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the town clerk, on or before the day and hour appointed for said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Randolph, this twenty-first day of March A.D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one.

JOHN T. FLOOD,
SIDNEY FRENCH,
ROYAL T. MANN,

Selectmen of Randolph.

A true copy.

Attest : HENRY H. FRANCIS.

Constable of Randolph.

the recent repairs on North Street, as petitioned for by Francis Smith and ten others.

ART. 18. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

ART. 19. To see if the town will abolish the present highway surveyor system, and elect one surveyor of highways.

ART. 20. To see what action, if any, the town will take relative to medical attendance upon the poor for the ensuing year.

ART. 21. To see what action the town will take in relation to raising and making an appropriation for the Turner Free Library ; also to see if the town will appropriate the money received for dog licenses for the ensuing year to the use of said library.

ART. 22. To see if the town will authorize and appoint the selectmen to be agents and attorneys for the town, to prosecute, defend, compromise and settle any and all suits and proceedings in which the town may be in any way engaged or interested as a party, or otherwise, for the ensuing year.

ART. 23. To see if the town will instruct the Treasurer to pay all demand notes against the said town, and authorize said Treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money for the payment of said notes.

ART. 24. To see if the town will authorize the collector of taxes to use the same means which a town treasurer may use when acting as collector.

ART. 25. To see if the town will authorize the collector of taxes to charge interest at the rate of six per centum per annum on all taxes remaining unpaid on and after October 10, 1881.